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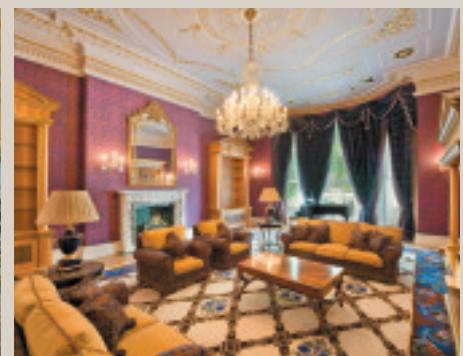
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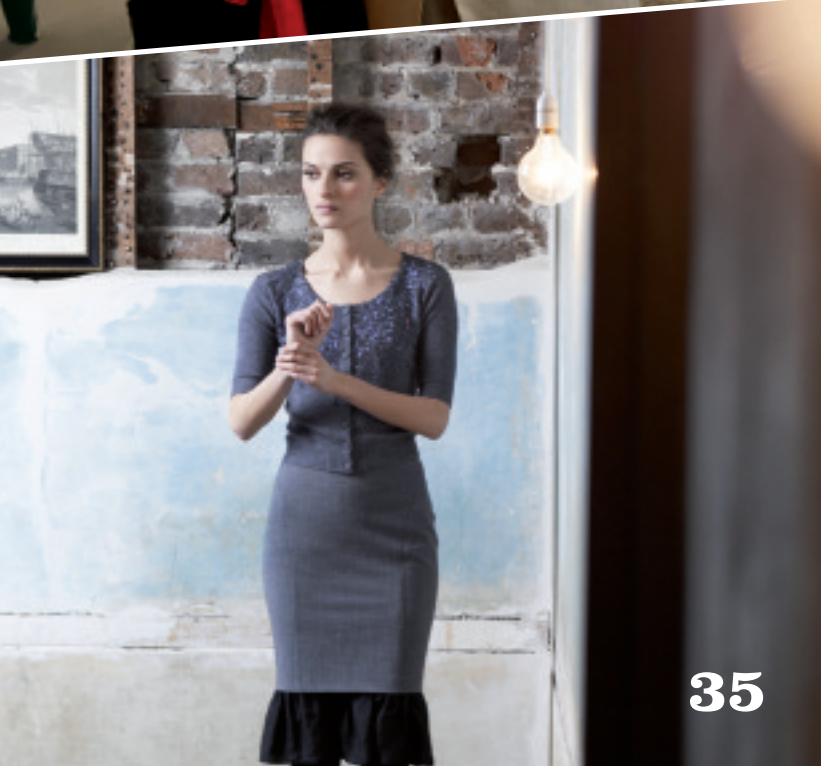
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**P**hew! I've done it, I've moved house. Pur-leese don't let me do that ever again. I know, I know, people says it's the worst thing in the world after death and divorce but it really is the worst thing in the world after death and divorce. It wasn't the actual move. That was a piece of cake, we handed over our home and the packing and removal of its contents to the very nice gents at Scotts Removals. (Can't recommend them highly enough. A long-running family firm, they were brilliant and the banter between the various lads meant I giggled for the entire 48 hours of moving. They really were great, reasonable, gracious and worth a plug: Scotts, 020 8807 8007) But I digress. The point is, the move was easy peasy but the purchase! It's the Wild West out there. The rules of engagement seem to have been chucked out of the window. I have never known such levels of venality, duplicity and downright rudeness. And no, I'm not talking about the estate agents but the buyers and sellers. We were in a chain that would have rivalled Jack's beanstalk which wobbled too many times for my liking – or sanity – under threat from axe-wielding house hunters with attitude. On the sunny side up, I have nothing but good to say about the estate agents we used. They were patient, helpful and at times very kind. So big brownie points from this editor for the much-derided gentlemen of the real estate industry.

Anyway, thank heavens. We are in and now we just wishing for an Indian summer to enjoy our new garden. I know it's silly as we haven't exactly had a scorcher this year but I can't help feeling excited about the coming autumn. I don't just mean the seasons of mists and mellow fruitfulness but wrapping up in new clothes. It's always so exciting when the A/W collections come out. A girl just can't get enough cashmere. London Fashion Week this month will only whet my appetite further so I think I had better avoid **London Fashion Weekend** to save my bank balance. We have a great reader offer for the shopping extravaganza on page 33 plus Laia Farran-Graves tells us ladies how to get the '**back-to-work**' look on page 35. And on page 18 Nancy Alsop meets **Celia Birtwell** whose distinctive prints have seen her span decades in the design and fashion worlds and a new incarnation of the darling of Britain's high street.

We also have our education special, **School Report**, which includes a piece I have written about **First Story**, a charity that aims to foster literacy and creativity in challenging London schools. This new charity's work is an absolute inspiration, so please read all about it on page 80.

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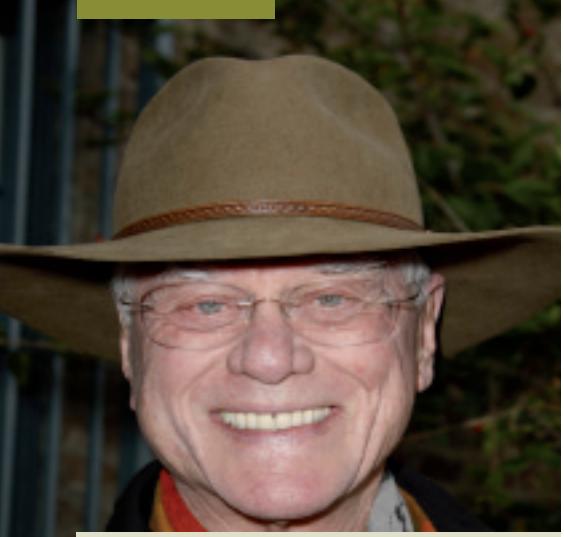
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**The Chelsea Antiques Fair, Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Road, SW3, 23-27 September.  
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## Grow your own

Following campaigns to grow your own by celebrities, including Jamie Oliver, the Kensington and Chelsea council is set to free up land on its housing estates to be turned into allotments. One hundred mini-allotments will be created in the Borough on a first come first served basis, including two spaces on Portland Road, W11. The move, which is reminiscent of the Dig for Victory campaign, will see the general appearance of the estates improve as well as help local residents become more self sufficient. Plot users will be encouraged to grow a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, from tomatoes and onions to chillies and peppers, and there will be a community gardener from environmental charity, Groundwork, available to advise locals.



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# Round up

## Museum strip makeover

Plans to reduce the congestion in Exhibition Road kicked off during the early hours of Sunday 16 August. Following months of preparation, the Kensington and Chelsea council ordered roadworks to commence to transform the famous museum strip, which attracts 11.5 million visitors per year. The one-way eastbound traffic system around the South Kensington station will be replaced by a two-way flow, which will ease congestion in the area. The council has verified that any further changes to the road layout south of the station will take place in a few months time and the full traffic management works in South Kensington are expected to be completed by the end of the year.



**NEWSFLASH....!!** Sales at the Natural History Museum shop are defying the recession. Plastic T-Rexes and Diplodocuses are flying off the shelves, contributing to a 21 per cent increase on retail sales compared to the last financial year.



## Charity calling

A 7/7 survivor is to raise funds for the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital. Chris Randall who was treated at the hospital after the London bombings in 2005, will be competing in the Chelsea and Westminster Charity London Duathlon in Richmond Park on 13 September. Randall decided to raise money for the charity following the care he received from the Burns Unit after being injured in the terrorist atrocity at Edgware Road tube station. Randall says, "I had a hugely positive experience at the hospital and being able to raise funds for such a great cause makes the training and challenge of competing worth while." This year, all the money raised through the event will go towards the neonatal and paediatric units at the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital.

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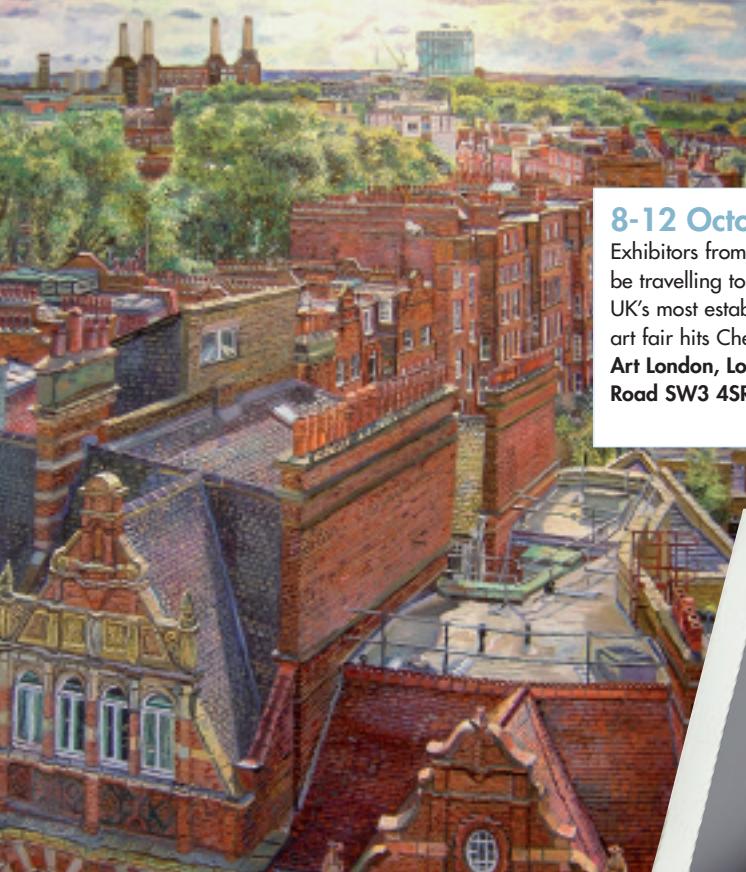
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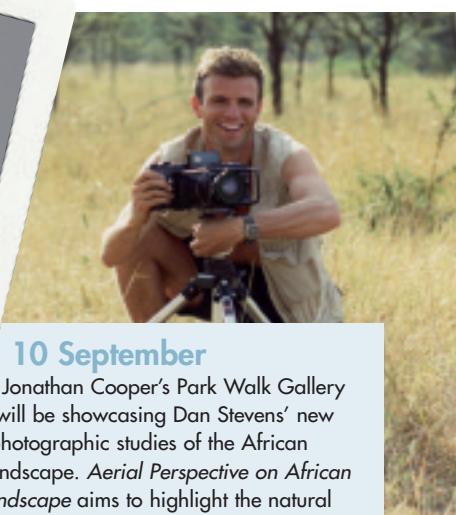
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### From 28 September

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# Diary

By Marina Kolobova

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# The grass is Greener

**Raffaella Barker... gets back in the saddle**

Horses have always been part of my life, as a small child I made do with a donkey, but when I was nine I became the proud owner of a Shetland pony and the gates to horse heaven opened. I thought they would have to close again when I moved back to London, but far from it. I live within lunging distance of the Hyde Park Stables in Bathurst Mews, and only a brisk trot from the Westway Stables. There you can even experience the joys of regular horse shows and perhaps the odd rosette... More rugged riding can be found a little further away in Richmond Park. The Kingston Riding Centre is for all levels and experienced riders can brush up on their cross-country skills while the urban horse owner can keep their mount at livery. I even found a polo club, The Ham Polo Club, founded in 1926, and only eight miles from Hyde Park Corner.

Having ridden since an early age, the quiet pace of the rides around Hyde Park were not for me, but it is a perfect experience for children and any novices. I found my inner Pony Club mother rising and taking

## Age nine I became the proud owner of a Shetland pony and the gates to horse heaven opened

over the other day, as I drove through the park with my daughter and her 12-year old friend after a make-up session at the Mac counter in Harvey Nichols. We were arguing the merits of various lip gloss colours when lo! a loose horse appeared alongside the Serpentine. There was no one around, the horse was saddled and grazing, looking up lightly from time to time, obviously thrilled to have escaped. Where was the rider?

"Quick girls, we must catch the horse!" I cried. "Must we?" came their pained response as I slewed the car to a halt. Teetering across the grass in urban shoes I was amazed by how big the horse seemed now that I spend so much time away from animals. Big and benign. The girls were pretty excited too by the time we caught it.

"Shall we keep it?" suggested the friend. "Yes" said my daughter, and we all began to laugh with the thought of the horse moving into our second-floor flat. Sadly, before we had a chance to bundle it into the car, the owners arrived. I half expected to be told off for interfering, but they were very grateful. Apparently Juniper is a devil to catch, and had sped off when a nervous novice had come unstuck earlier. The rider bravely remounted and off they went in a horse crocodile with the novice and Juniper safe in the middle.

The girls and I were slightly deflated and disgruntled not to be going home with our trophy, but that evening a chance remark revealed a new possibility – apparently expert riders amongst us civilians can ride out with the cavalry. I am investigating this enchanting notion and brushing up with some schooling sessions in anticipation.  
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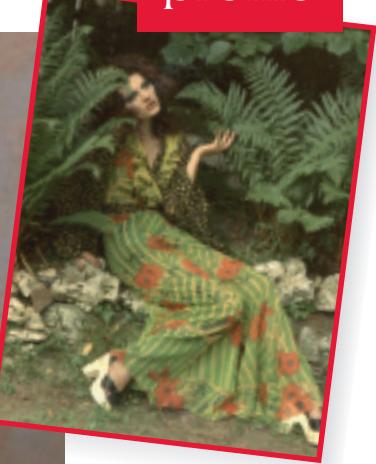
# MATERIAL GIRL

Celia Birtwell's career hasn't diminished since her Sixties heyday. From her iconic partnership with Ossie Clark to her current collaborations with the high street, she's still very much in fashion, says **Nancy Alsop**

Drop Celia Birtwell's name into conversation with any child of the Sixties, and you're guaranteed exclamatory gushes – "The cut! The prints! So pretty!" they cry at her mention. Their effusions refers, of course, to the legendary collaboration between the textile designer and Ossie Clark, Birtwell's one-time husband whom she considers no less a genius than Yves Saint Laurent. I tell her that my mother still regrets the two Ossie Clark dresses she had and lost; Birtwell sympathises. "I know. I don't have any left – lost 'em all. I must have lent them to people over the years, but you see, I'm so scatty," she tails off in her still strikingly girlish voice.

We meet in her eponymous Notting Hill shop, where she's been for 25 years, and which is stocked with an abundance of exquisite fabrics. Birtwell is installed in an armchair upholstered in one of her ultra feminine prints (which manage to be so without falling into the twee trap), dressed in understated black chiffon, blonde hair pinned loosely up, and is beaming benevolent smiles across the table. There is a maternal warmth about Birtwell, which she manages without being mumsy; and when conversation strays to politics, she sympathises with the beleaguered Prime Minister. "Poor old Brown looks as though he's about to die! I think he is probably a very good man, but the press is just vile to him. And he's going greyer every day. That nice wife of his – people like her, but he just doesn't have a common touch, poor thing... oh, I'm sorry, we've rather got off fashion!" she checks herself, laughing another hearty laugh.

But then Celia Birtwell somehow transcends fashion, the world in which she made her name; there is a timelessness about her prints which explains why, after a-quarter-of-a-century in interiors, her return to fashion has been met with such great acclaim. First there is the ongoing Topshop collaboration which launched in 2006 and sold out in less ➡ ➡ ➡



From left: Celia Birtwell and David Hockney at the 'David Hockney Portraits' exhibition launch, National Portrait Gallery, 2006; Vintage Ossie Clark model shot, 1968 taken by Celia Birtwell

than five minutes (faster than Kate Moss's efforts). She has been a guest designer for Millets (prettier tents you've never seen), gardening accoutrements with Wild and Wolf which come out in September, and now she is on to her second accessories collection for Boots, which will hit the shops for autumn, and over which we are cooing. There are organiser bags, photo pouches, sewing boxes, and hosiery, all with flower motifs. "I'd no idea Boots did stockings, did you? We've married them to the black and red colour scheme, and there are little spotty ankle socks. Oh, and isn't this sweet?" she cries, taking me outside to open up a delightfully Mary Poppins-ish brolly (left).

Evidently she is enjoying bringing her designs to a new generation. "Yes, and I have Topshop to thank for that. It's funny because when the publicist got the interest, he hadn't heard of me. We laugh about it now. He says 'oh I had'. No you hadn't Andrew! Don't pretend! But why should anyone of 15 to 25 have heard of me or of Ossie?"

Nonetheless, they were the cream of the King's Road, although Birtwell insists that had been Ossie's world rather than hers; she always preferred bohemian Portobello Road to the hub of the swinging Sixties. "Oh, we did go to these mad shops like Granny Takes a Trip and have lunch at Picasso, but really I just delivered my prints and went home to Notting Hill, which I love. There were all these extraordinary people about, but even then it was quite smart – it wasn't really my beat."

By the mid-sixties, Ossie had finished at the RCA and been picked up by Alice Pollock who opened the celebrated Quorum boutique. "I have to thank her for my career, because at first she only let me do one print. And then the next season she wanted me to do two or three, and it snowballed. I worked at home and Ossie worked at Quorum, off the King's Road. So we were quite separate in the

way we worked." And though she beavered away somewhat more inconspicuously than her husband, Birtwell knows that while he supplied ingenious cuts, she softened his work. In truth, she provided more than softening round the edges; rather she lent her own brand of genius for pattern and colour, testament to which is the fact that along with Zandra Rhodes and Orla Kiely, Birtwell is one of the very few household name textile designers.

It all began in 1959 when Birtwell and Clark met at Salford School of Art.

## While Clark supplied ingenious cuts, she provided her own brand of genius for pattern and colour

They were friends initially, and met again later in London after she had finished a two-year teaching stint and he was still at the RCA; he moved in, and the rest, as they say, is history, albeit a history laced both with brilliance and tragedy. The duo had two sons (one of whom now runs the interiors shop with his wife); they were the toast of the town, putting on the first serious catwalk shows at the Chelsea Town Hall, which are, to this day, remembered by those present as "magical".

Concurrently, however, the designers' relationship suffered; Ossie was exploring his bisexuality and became quite a fixture on the party circuit. "We were kind of falling out in '72, and in '73, he moved to a house we'd bought and I never moved in. He'd gone too far. He was quite a genius in his cut, there's no question about that, but I think he wanted to be treated more as an artist. He could see people like David Hockney and Mick Jagger making fortunes and having freedom with money but he was a party person. He didn't

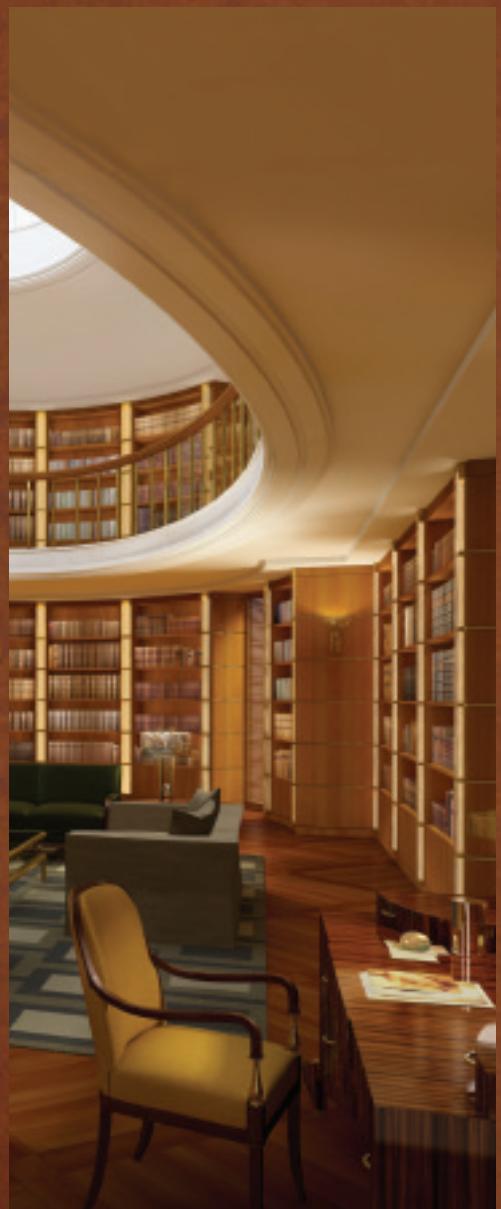
have that switch to turn it off, and he became quite impossible, I must say." Clark died in 1996, tragically stabbed by a former lover in his Kensington and Chelsea council flat; in the interim years, Birtwell characteristically felt for him, but confesses a certain ambivalence. "Ossie never really forgave me for leaving, but he'd thrown it all away."

Meanwhile, her relationship with that other aforementioned genius, David Hockney, thrives. They met in the Sixties through Hockney's friend Peter Schlesinger; ever since, the only person he has painted more frequently is his mother. *Mr and Mrs Smith and Percy*, which hangs at the Tate Britain, remains one of the most viewed paintings in the world. "It's extraordinary and David's as surprised as anybody – you can never tell." She talks of Hockney with the utmost fondness, even pride. "I value his friendship – he's one of my really best friends. He's extraordinarily clever. I think he'll keep going back to California, but he is very happy in Bridlington. He's enjoying his youth again, looking at things he looked at when he was 15, and taking bicycle rides he used to take in East Yorkshire. He has a knack of getting somebody's personality down in a few lines. I'm very flattered by those portraits."

Birtwell reflects on why they get on so well: "He's from Yorkshire and I'm from Lancashire – I think it's the northern-ness of both of us, our similar backgrounds – sensible mother and quite eccentric fathers." It is rather touching to think of the two of them pottering across the Yorkshire countryside and observing nature. But for now, following a year filled with collaborations and looking after grandchildren, she's off on her hols to Shropshire – for a spot of gardening. She may have resisted the hedonistic glamour of the Sixties, but as she says: "I suppose I've always known I'm a survivor." That she is, and the ultimate multi-tasking modern woman to boot.

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The client then decided that the library would also double as his office.

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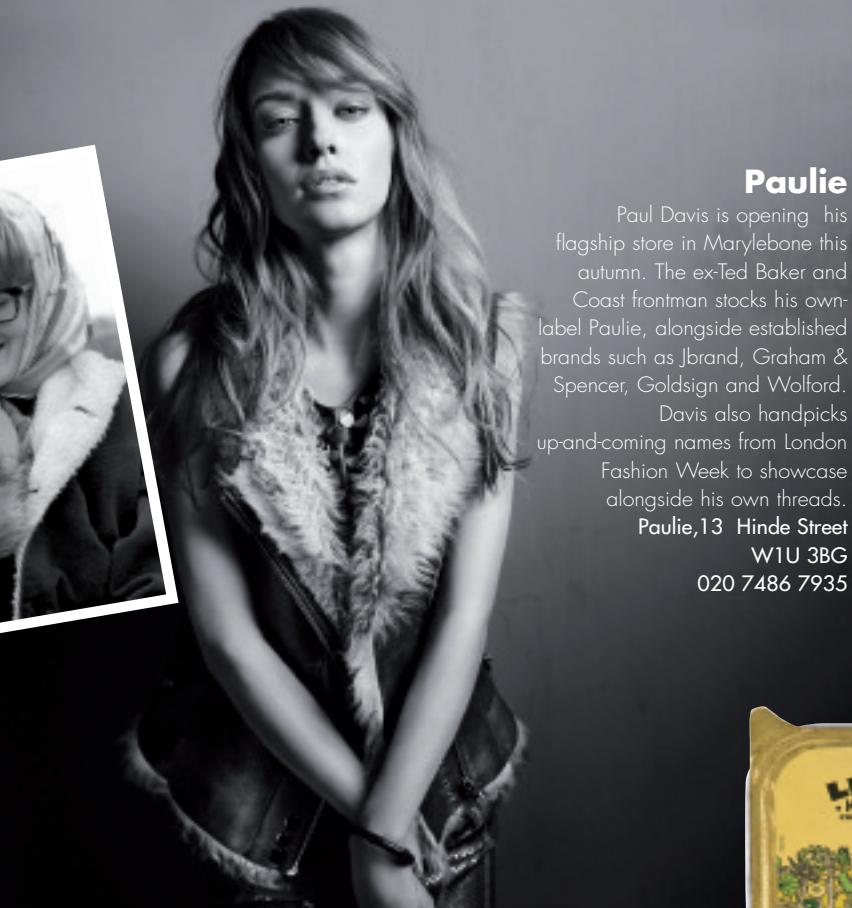
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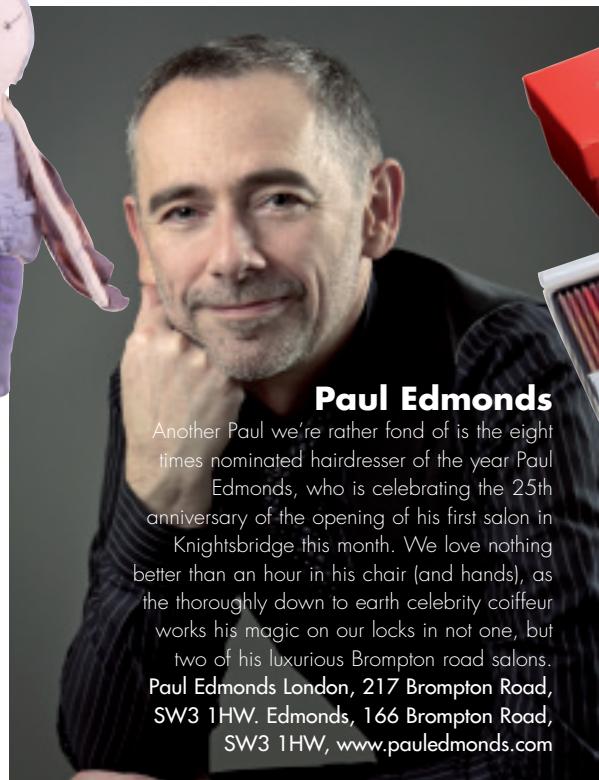
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# Lady Sybilla Hart's GUIDE TO *Etiquette*

In general, grandparents fall into two categories: the Unhelpful and the Helpful. Many grandparents feel that raising one generation was quite enough. It is worth bearing in mind that in their day nappies weren't disposable (yikes) and dishwashers and washing machines were deemed luxury items. Others are simply desperate to get their hands on the little blighter. If yours falls into the second category then you can count your lucky stars.

The Unhelpful tend to object to their homes being turned upside down and will not do useful things like buy baby paraphernalia such as bottles, formula, baby food, nappies, toys etc. These are the grandparents who brim with self-congratulations after going out of their way to look after little Johnny for 20 minutes between a visit to the dressmaker and Peter Jones – giving mum enough time to do... well not much.

A friend of mine recently deposited her child with Unhelpful grandmother for the weekend (she can't be that unhelpful) and took one look in the fridge and careered straight off to Sainsbury's. The contents of the fridge would not have kept a lone sparrow going for more than a couple of hours let alone a ravenous toddler. Grandparents, if at all possible try to think of something practical you do can to help your frazzled offspring.

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as ordering swimming nappies and remembering to buy Calpol they deserve nothing short of a medal.

When it comes to childcare it is hardly surprising that differences in opinion often rear their ugly head. Parents and grandparents alike are recommended to take a deep breath and refrain from flying off the handle and subsequently burning bridges. Although a mother should always go with her gut instinct, inherited maternal wisdom should not be cast aside.

Finally, beware of the baby monitor; it is an extremely dangerous tool. I once heard of a huge family rift that erupted thanks to the baby alarm. The new mother's parents were over from South Africa for the birth of their new grandchild. A week or so had passed and relations were becoming increasingly strained. "I can't stand it any longer, your parents are driving me mad. When are they leaving again?" inquired the husband. This unfortunate episode was efficiently relayed downstairs to the grandparents who immediately packed their bags and haven't been in touch since. Uh oh.

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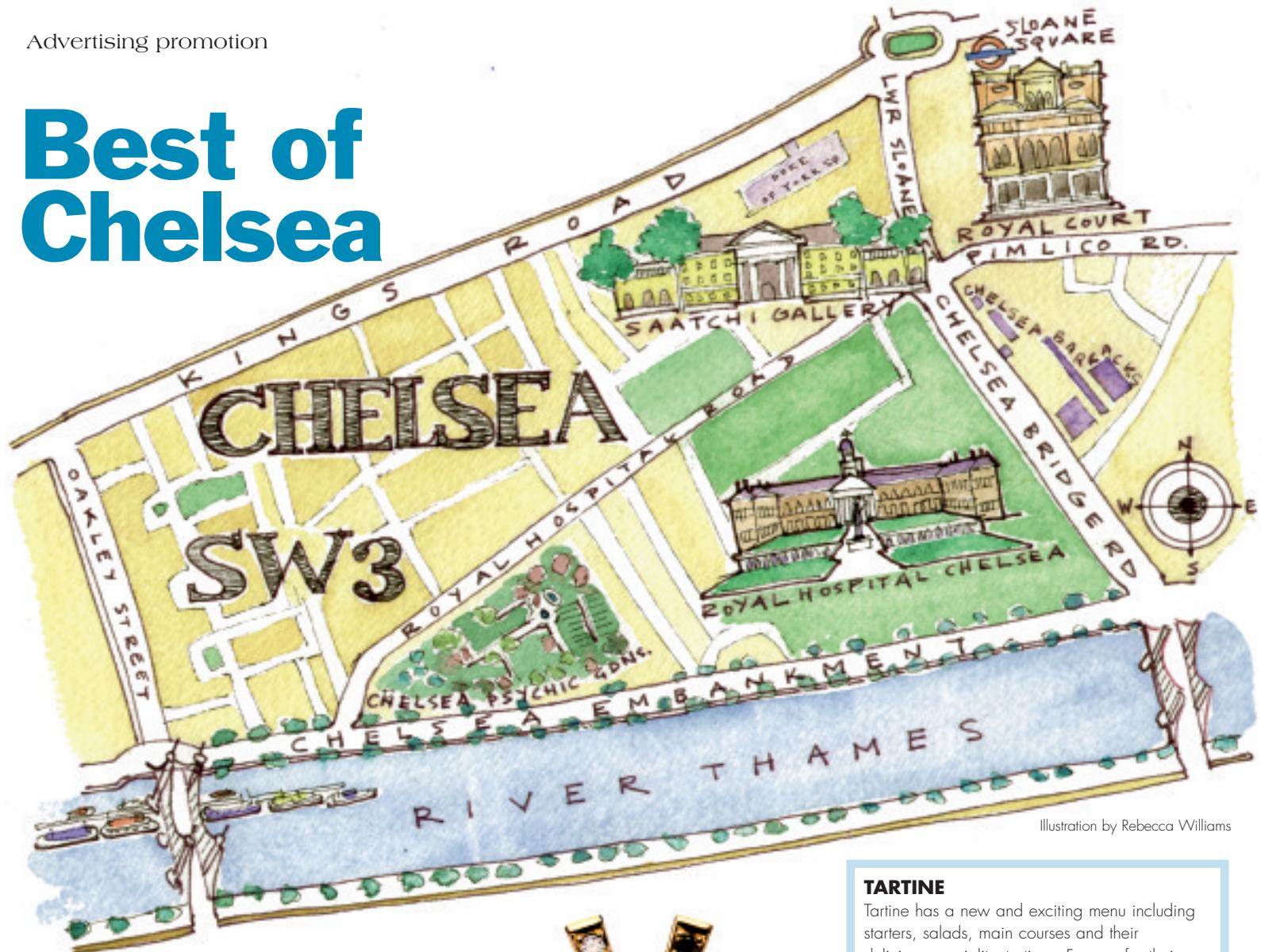
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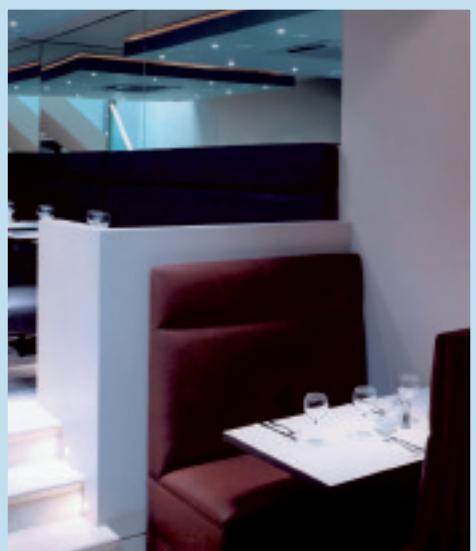
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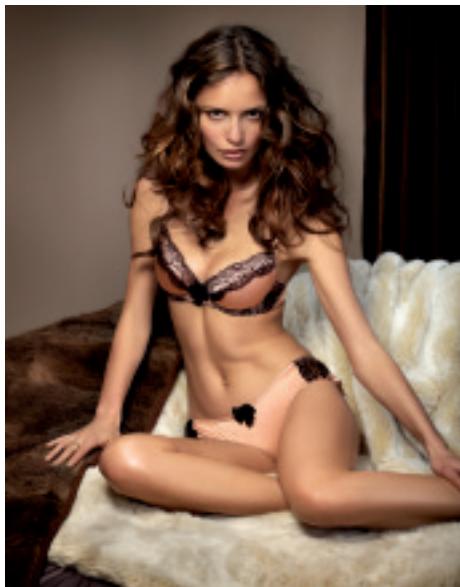
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# Sssh...!

Our girl-in-the-know Lucy Pridden shares her insider knowledge on the area's best-kept secrets



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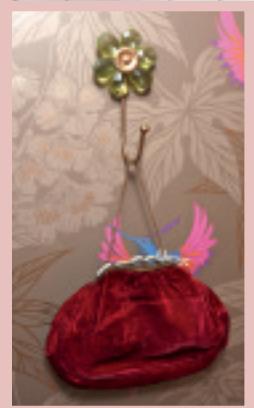
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# LONDON FASHION WEEKEND

**A**s London Fashion Week celebrates 25 years of catwalks and couture, so London Fashion Weekend gears up for four days of exclusive designer shopping at its new home Somerset House. This month's event will see a showcase of British and international designers – last year saw the likes of Luella, Lulu Guinness, Kors by Michael Kors and Philip Treacy – with a range of samples, one-off designs, current and past

**WHO:** Anonymous by Ross + Bute  
**WHAT:** British designer brand with a core in knitwear and renowned for its signature use of feminine lace trims and beautiful buttons.

**WHERE:** Anonymous by Ross + Bute – 328 King's Road, SW3 5UH 020 3006 4220 and 57 Ledbury Road W11 2AA 020 7727 2348

**IN SEASON:** Spot-frill cuffs and collars on knits and dresses, chunky cable knit dresses and coatigans (the new coat/cardigan hybrid). (pictured merino/silk knit with spot trim and collar, £229).

**LFWend FANS:** "The Fashion Weekend is the perfect platform to experience the glamour of Fashion Week and grab a bargain," says Lindy Ross, designer/director at Anonymous by Ross + Bute.



season stock. There will also be fashion and beauty experts offering their tips.

Need inspiration? Then take a pew and watch a 40-minute catwalk show featuring designer trends – giving you a head-start on how to navigate this season's tricky looks – shoulder pads, leather, silks, velvet, organza and tweed. For further inspiration, here's a sneak peek at some names to look out for:

**WHO:** MiH Jeans

**WHAT:** Formed in Chelsea in 1969, MiH is the original British denim brand, known for creating bum enhancing, leg-lengthening jeans. Worn by all the coolest Seventies girls, they are now worn by everyone from Jessica Alba to Liv Tyler.

**WHERE:** Available at Donna Ida

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**IN SEASON:** The AW09 collection's palette includes muted slate grey, inky black-blue and classic jet black, in the best quality denims. It's not all about denim, with the 'low-key luxe' collection of cords and velvets. We love the new Heritage range (London Stormy, £140, pictured).

**LFWend FANS:** "It gives us the opportunity to meet the people who come back season after season to support our brand," says MiH Jeans UK sales account manager, Kristen Hayden.

**WHO:** Beatrix Ong

**WHAT:** Structural yet wearable, British shoe designer Beatrix Ong has been dubbed the 'biggest thing in shoe design' by shoe god himself, Jimmy Choo.

**WHERE:** Beatrix Ong concession, 16/18 Brompton Road, Scotch House SW1X 7QN, 020 7584 2814

**IN SEASON:** The A/W09 collection is inspired by classic Victorian fairytales. Expect classic stilettos, flat pumps, platforms and lace-up boots all in hot pink, purple, scarlet, suedes, exotic skins and metallic patent (pictured, Christa, £688).

**LFWend FANS:** "It gives us a unique opportunity to meet with our loyal customers and also affords us the chance to reach out to new ones in a fun, fast paced and fashionable environment," says chairman designer, Beatrix Ong.



## READER COMPETITION

LFWend are offering one Resident reader a pair of gold tickets for Friday evening, 25 September, including entry into the event, catwalk seats and LFWend show bag designed by Eley Kishimoto and filled with lovely fashion treats! The winner will also receive an Elizabeth Arden Goodie bag of the latest beauty products. Visit [theresident.co.uk](http://theresident.co.uk) for details on how to enter.

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# WORK THE LOOK

Nougat AW09

Time to sharpen those pencil skirts for the new term ahead, says **Laia Farran Graves**

**D**espite the marching recession, the AW09 catwalks were full of tailored jackets and luxurious coats ranging from Maxmara's belted cashmere and pure camel classics, to Versace's stunning trenches and shift dresses, as well as some glamorous looks based on the Eighties revival and some fabulous city chic ensembles. We spotted some great must-haves that will ensure that you go to the top of the style class...

#### Timeless classic

If you are a classic girl at heart, a timeless, elegant statement coat is always a good investment. One of the main influences is tweed as seen at Burberry Prorsum, Gucci, Christian Lacroix and Luella, but this time the previously countrified fabric is tailored and going very urban. Matches has some stunning pieces (Dolce & Gabbana, £1,515, stockist right) and Suwha, now in her third collection, has some great structured coats that are belted at the waist and have generous lapels (£432 The Cross, 141 Portland Road, W11 4LR suwahong.com). We also saw some great trenches and belted wool versions at Reiss

(£245, 114 King's Road, SW3 4TX, 020 7225 4910, reiss.co.uk). Throw them over a shift dress or your favourite pair of skinny jeans and a T-shirt – possibly over a thermal vest but, yes, sleeves are off this winter – for easy style.

#### Eighties revival

Whether you loved the Eighties the first time round, or only discovered them this summer, here is your chance to relive the fun just like a Dallas rerun. Get ready for shoulder pads and one-shouldered garments, leggings and sweaters and plenty of leather jackets, velvet and lamé. Paul & Joe (Selfridges, 400 Oxford Street, W1A 1AB, 0800 123 400, paulandjoe.com) has some biker styles and even a leather fitted dress. For leggings and unitards in every colour American Apparel is your one-stop-shop (£22 and £26, 40 Kensington High Street, 020 7795 4490, W8 4PF americanapparel.net), and if you can stretch (quite literally) to leather, Joseph has some black ones (£595, 28 Brook Street, W1Y 2PD 020 7629 6077, joseph.co.uk) that will set your heart racing. Layer them all up and team with some strong-coloured accessories and wide belts at the waist for the finished article.

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##### THE SHOES

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#### Back to work

For the nine-to-five type, the city chic look will be right up your street. Pencil skirts and high platform heels worn with shirts are de rigueur, and short cinched-at-the-waist jackets are a must-have. Tailored dresses or neat skirt-suits are also perfect for this look – check out Maida Vale designer Elizabeth Lau's knits ranging from dresses to heart-detailed cardigans in navy, grey and duck-egg blue (from £148, 020 7286 8805 elisabethlau.com). You will need some tailored shirts with a twist; we love Laura Ashley's sheer black shirt tied at the waist and the white-trimmed fitted one (see above). For a flattering pencil skirt, H&M has many variations, or see Nougat (£90, 227 Westbourne Grove, W11 2SE, 020 7792 3547, nougatlondon.co.uk) and Toast (£95, Selfridges, as before, toast.co.uk) have some great styles, and if you're feeling flush go for Maxmara (see above). Platform heels are great to give you that little extra power dressing. The catwalk saw some strong styles from Bottega Veneta (see below) to YSL, while Emma Hope's options are always refreshing and original (53 Sloane Square, SW1X 8AX, emmahope.com).

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# Cash in hand

September means it's back to school time, but for many families that equates to a financial struggle, as Rensburg Sheppards explain

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School fees appear to have been on an inexorable upward path for many years, rising at a rate much faster than either retail prices or wages. The outlook for both house prices and job security, probably the two strongest influences over long term financial commitments, has deteriorated rapidly and even cash in the bank has been considered neither safe nor rewarding in the past year.

Government statisticians began calculating an official index of education prices back in 1996; data from ONS (Office for National Statistics) reveal that since then they have risen by 139 per cent. This equates to an annual average increase of fractionally less than 7 per cent. Over the same period retail prices have risen by only 2.5 per cent per annum and wages by 4 per cent, so clearly school fees are becoming harder to fund out of income.

Recent studies have shown that the average

fees for private education are now around £11,000 per annum, slightly less for day schools, but considerably more for boarding. Were such a cost to continue to escalate at the close to 7 per cent rate shown in the past 13 years, the total outlay over a 15 year period covering the school programme from nursery through to A level would amount to about £275,000 per child. And this is before taking account of all those (not so) little extras that appear on termly accounts such as music lessons, school trips, uniforms and sports kit, or the university programme that might follow, with its onus of fees and accommodation costs. Multiply this total by two or three children and it can appear a daunting total even in buoyant times...

In today's economic environment there are many more furrows of worry on the average parental forehead than for many years. Over the years surveys have revealed that many parents have not funded their children's education explicitly from income ~but have relied upon the spiralling value of their rung on the housing ladder in order to remortgage and thereby release capital. With house prices having turned down sharply in the past 18 months and mortgage finance proving

markedly less plentiful, this is not such an available option in the immediate future.

The other principal influence on the confidence (or not) of parents is the outlook for employment and job security. Here too the message is somewhat bleaker than for some time. The unemployment rate in London has risen by over 40 per cent since the low of the cycle in summer 2007 (from 6.1 per cent of the workforce to 8.5 per cent) and shows no sign of abating in the short term. Another nail in the coffin comes from the rate of income tax for higher earners, which is scheduled to be increased from 40 per cent to 50 per cent with effect from the start of the next tax year, thereby tightening the screw even further on disposable income.

Now more than ever parents need access to good investment management and financial planning input, otherwise they will be echoing Herbert Hoover when he observed "blessed are the young, for they shall inherit the National Debt".

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## THIS MONTH YOU SHOULD...

...tour London's international design shows to catch up on the latest decorative trends. First up is **100% Design** (24-27 September) at Earl's Court, featuring over 350 exhibitors, from contemporary furniture and lighting, to textiles, kitchens and bathrooms. The public day is Sunday 27 September, £20 on the door, £15 for online registrations, [100percentdesign.co.uk](http://100percentdesign.co.uk) ... followed by **Decorex 09** (27-30 September) the major interior design trade event, with traditional and decorative furniture and furnishings, accessories and lighting. The public day is Tuesday 29 September (1-7pm), tickets are £20, [decorex.com](http://decorex.com)



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Fans of 20th-century architecture may already know of **The Modern House**, a specialist estate agency devoted to architect-designed properties, dating from the Twenties to the present day. Now, to celebrate five years in business, the agency, run by architecture writer Albert Hill, has launched an interior design service, too. Although Modernism is at the core of their design philosophy, inspiration comes from many sources, and the design team can tackle anything from the creative vision for one home, to larger scale projects for contract clients. [themodernhouse.net](http://themodernhouse.net), 0845 634 4068

# Interiors

by Judith Wilson



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## BOOK REVIEW

Interiors are creeping towards a more decorative aesthetic, so there is much to be said for reading up on historical styles that influence designs today. **French Interiors of the 18th Century** (£40, Laurence King) by John Whitehead, turns the spotlight on the key pieces used in upper-class French interiors of the time, from silver and porcelain, to furniture decorated with marquetry. With the use of contemporary letters and journals, it also brings to life the preoccupations of those who created such interiors, from the royal family to the nouveaux riches. Fascinating reading, backed up by over 240 colour illustrations.





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# the great indoors

Sophie Conran is launching her second wallpaper collection at Decorex this month. Judith Wilson talks to the designer about her latest venture

#### What were your earliest design influences?

It has to be my Dad (Terence Conran). He set up Habitat when I was a child, so we had great design all around us. Modern furniture and prototypes would constantly be coming into the house – it was all new and exciting. I found the beefy designs by the Italian designer, Joe Colombo, a particularly big influence. And my Dad had many collections already, such as bentwood chairs. In terms of design, he taught me to use my eyes and to appreciate quality.

#### You've designed a new range of wallpapers for Arthouse – how did that come about?

I'd already done one range for Arthouse, distributed at B&Q. The people at Arthouse are very knowledgeable about wallpaper, with decades of experience, and I'd been pushing them to utilise their skills, using more embellishment and experimental techniques. The Sophie Conran for Arthouse pattern book was inspired by my childhood memories of my parents' house in the Dordogne, decorated with peeling wallpapers from Art Deco styles to romantic, traditional French designs.

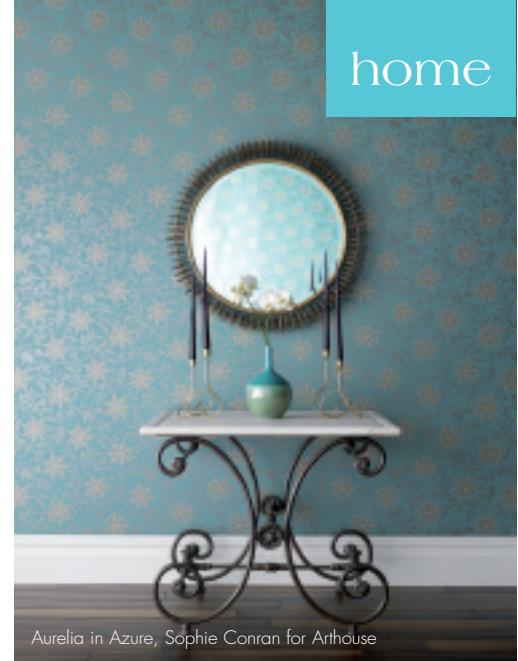
#### Do you have an ideal person in mind when dreaming up your designs?

No, I don't. The process is all about the actual piece that I'm designing. I have a background in product design and colour forecasting, and have worked on everything from lollipops to underwear. So I'll be thinking about the piece I am designing as a tool. If I'm designing a cup

#### SOPHIE'S' AUTUMN DECORATING TIPS

- Bring nature into the house. Go for an autumn country walk, cut twigs with golden leaves of varying types, and boldly display them in a big vase.
- Cook up a stew! Beef with dumplings is my all time autumnal favourite.
- Buy a cashmere throw and tuck it over the sofa in the sitting room. I'll happily snuggle up under one on cool nights. A pair of beautiful slippers is a must, too.
- As the evenings draw in, invest in candles for setting the table. Gather a selection of church candles in a whole array of different sizes, and for autumn choose them in tones of orange.

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Aurelia in Azure, Sophie Conran for Arthouse

and saucer, for example, I'll think more about how it feels to hold, how will it keep the tea hot, does the saucer fit the cup, and so on. Only then will I think about it aesthetically.

#### Does your inspiration tend to be visual, tactile, or an abstract thought?

It has to be a combination of all three. I want to design something that looks beautiful, and that is great to touch – and the abstract concept is that fairy dust element. I'll collect ideas, and put together storyboards, then I'll sit down with the design team and we'll sketch together to develop a concept.

#### What other projects are you working on?

In September we're launching Sophie Conran for Temple Guiting with Steven Collins. Temple Guiting is a Grade-I manor house, complete with converted barns, and there will be range of individual or group courses, from knitting or singing to flower arranging, as well as wonderful food.

#### What's your favourite spot for designing – kitchen table or studio?

It's my sitting room! Here I have a big table where I can spread out, look at images, and do my scribbling. I work from home, so I do have an office, but it contains my computer and the telephone. It is more relaxing in the sitting room. My children are 13 and 14, so I try to keep my work and family life separate.

#### Which designers do you particularly admire?

I love the colours that the Danish designer, Verner Panton used in the Sixties. He would mix unexpected and strong colours together, which I love. Also I admire the work of the German designer, Vladimir Kagan, whose designs seem to have been inspired by nature, with furniture that looks almost like bones.

#### City, country, or seaside?

Oh, I need all of it! I love being in London for its urban energy; I love the countryside for walks in the hills, the local pub and pottering about in the garden, and being by the sea for the sunshine, and the sand between my toes.



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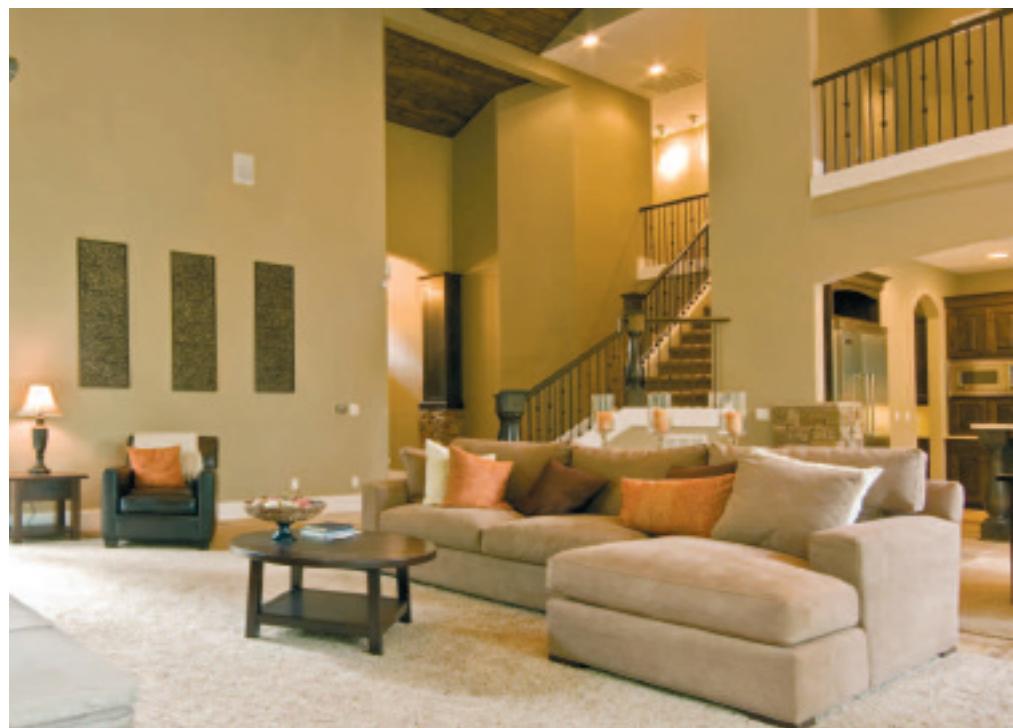
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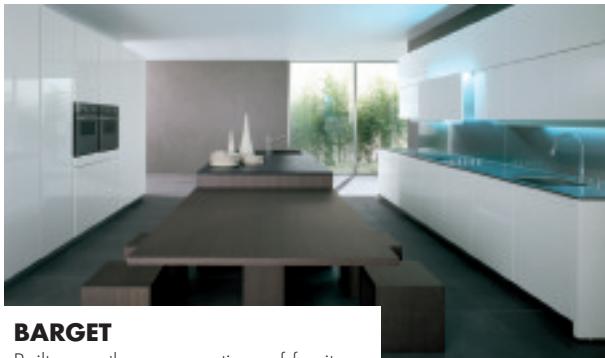


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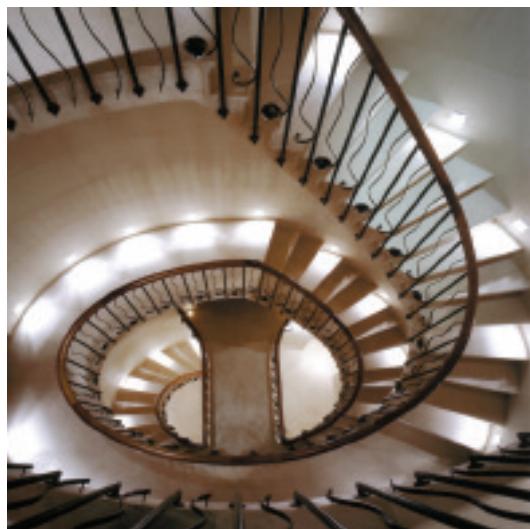
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# Well read

by Robert Gwyn Palmer

## TO HEAVEN BY WATER

**by Justin Cartwright, Bloomsbury, £16.99**  
 David Cross has an instantly recognisable face from his years as a television news anchorman. People assume a great deal about his personality, and, as a result, fail to see the complex man underneath. Even his children, Ed and Lucy, fail to see all his many layers and are certainly perplexed by the way he is leading his life after the death of their mother Nancy; they're also not at all happy about his obsessive working out at the gym, not to mention the friendship bracelets he's started to wear. This cleverly wrought novel delves deep into the human psyche and cuts through a great many preconceived notions and the sentimental posturing that obscures our attempts to communicate with each other and to live a fulfilled life. It does this with a clear, bright intelligence, allowing us a surprisingly humane, yet sometimes shocking, chance to reassess some of our well-worn ideas about family and old age.

## THE TWO MRS. GRENVilles

**by Dominick Dunne, Arcadia, £8.99**

On the Upper East Side in 1940s New York, Junior Grenville is all that his family want him to be: he has perfect manners, he's devastatingly good-looking and just clever enough, but not too clever, to take over his father's role running the family bank. And then along comes Ann Arden, a showgirl from nowhere, and they fall

deeply in love, or at least in lust. Behaving defiantly for the first time in his otherwise submissive life, he goes ahead with the marriage in an act that will unearth every last vestige of his dominant mother Alice's snobbery and determination that

things will go on just as they always have, showgirls and WWII notwithstanding. But this does not take into account the ruthless determination of Ann Grenville to expunge every trace of her past and to rise to the top of New York society, her only important mistake being to kill her husband in the process...

## THE CONSTANT ECONOMY

**by Zac Goldsmith, Atlantic Books, £16.99**

A ten-point manifesto for green change from a man who has been involved with environmental issues all his life. This is a heartfelt book from a man who is no recent convert to rinsing out jam-jars, but who has grown up considering the implications of our commercial activities on planet earth pretty much since the cradle, having learnt at the feet of his uncle, Teddy Goldsmith, who was highly instrumental in opening up the whole green debate over 30 years ago. Refreshingly, he offers not only political and idealistic advice, but also practical solutions that do not themselves cost money and time. For example, forcing shops to take back the packaging they foist on us: an important insight into how to stop the whole cycle of packaging where it starts, not once it has built up into a problem. With his highly unusual background of ecological awareness and his equally good knowledge of high finance and big business, Zac Goldsmith is better placed than most of us to come up with effective solutions to the problems we've created for ourselves.

## ARISTOCRATS

**by Lawrence James, Little, Brown, £25**

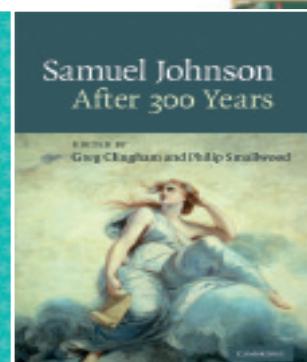
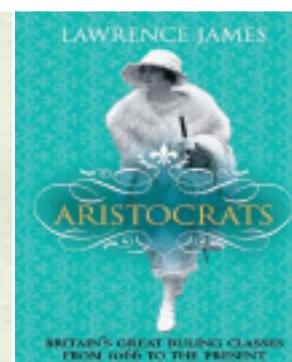
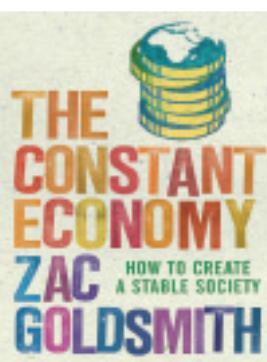
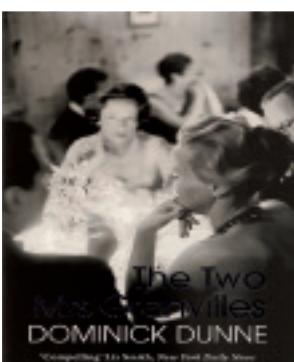
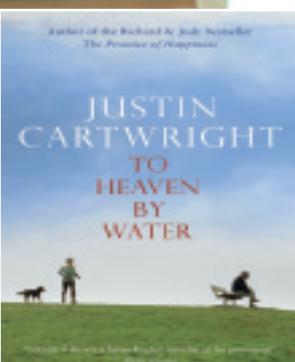
The story of Britain's aristocracy is a long and complex one. These days it is essentially thought of as the story of the rich and famous, but, in truth, that is both an over-simplification and a misunderstanding. The concept of aristocracy comes from the Ancient Greeks – aristo, the best and krato, government – flattering those who have positions of power in society that they

are 'fit' to rule. Lawrence James has written the story of this ruling class and its nine-hundred-year rule with an insight and accuracy that lays bare the infrastructure that supports a much misunderstood function, whilst putting it vividly in context. Interesting to read that a barony cost £10,000 in 1621, making the present day cash-for-honours scandal look like very small beer.

## SAMUEL JOHNSON AFTER

**300 YEARS, edited by Greg Clingham and Philip Smallwood Cambridge University Press, £55**

This is the tercentenary of the man who declared that when "a man is tired of London he is tired of life". A team of international academic experts reflects here on Dr Johnson's extraordinary reputation and contribution to our lives. This complete renaissance man turned his thoughts to moral philosophy, the law and the arts, producing a canon whose influence has permeated much more of the literary and scholarly output since the eighteenth century than we realize. Did you know, for example, that Johnson had a profound effect on Jane Austen's writing and on women's reading in general? And it's awesome to be reminded that, working in his house in Gough Square in London, he produced the first ever comprehensive English dictionary. This year's tercentenary celebration gives us an opportunity to renew our interest in a figure whose importance seems not to be modified by the vagaries of fashion but sustained by the sheer intellectual brilliance and moral rigour of his thoughts.



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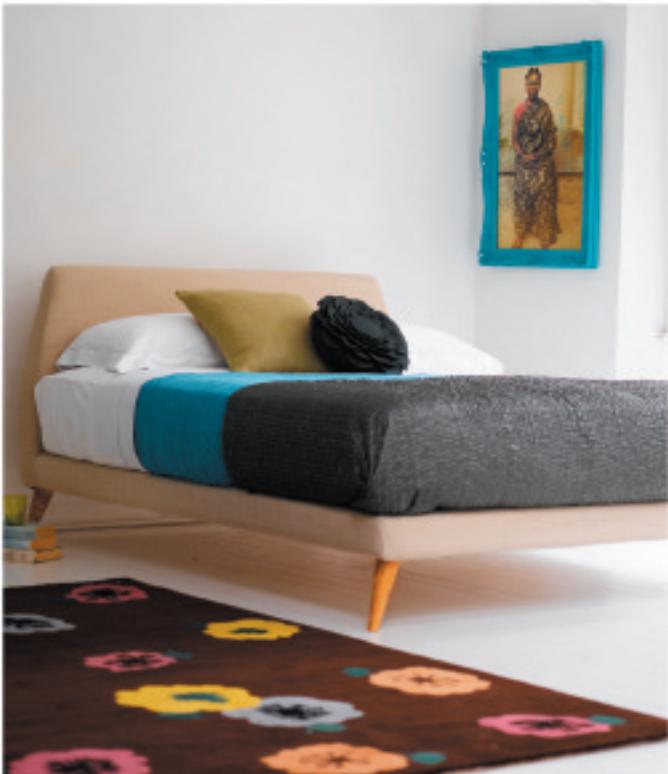
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# High Maintenance

by Isabel Dexter

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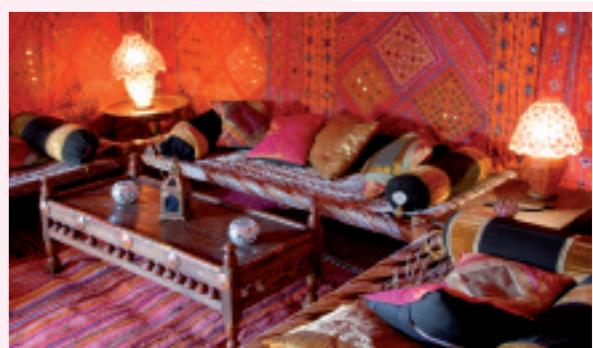
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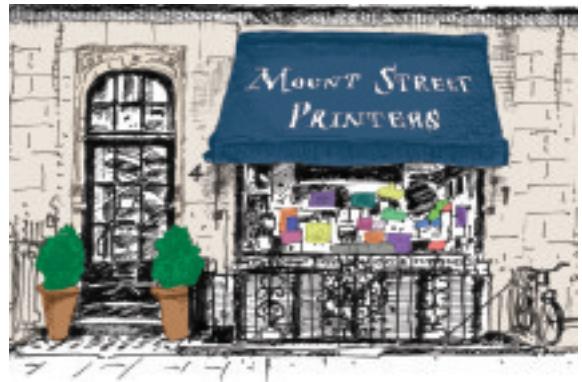
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# The Mane Attraction

Ever wished you could leave the house every morning looking like you just walked out of a salon? Isabel Dexter trials the latest blow-dry that promises to last for months

You know that warm, slightly fuzzy feeling that you get when you walk down the street and everyone smiles at you for no reason? Well that's how I feel when my hair looks sleek. Call me shallow but in my book groomed hair is up there on a par with being in love or getting a promotion, on the fuzzy feeling front. Ironic then that my hair is anything but groomed. Naturally on the curly (read frizzy) side of things, it has only been made more unbearable after years of dyeing, straightening and styling. Like a problem child I have tried to reign in its wild side with an array of treatments, straightening irons, curling tongs and products; only to end up having to get those annoying 'regular trims' when actually, all I want is flowing locks that shine like the Pantene girls'.

Blow-dries help in the short term, certainly, although I'm not quite in Anna Wintour territory of getting up at 5am just to get my hair professionally done before work. Plus, frankly, the amount of money and time I was spending at various salons was getting a little ridiculous. So I was intrigued to hear about Hersheson's Permanent Blow Dry at the Daniel Hersheson salon at Conduit Street and in Harvey Nichols. Apparently it would last up to three months, making you look like you'd just stepped out of a salon – all the time.

I was a little dubious in case my dry and chemically processed hair couldn't handle a straightening treatment but this new relaxing therapy is actually ideal for curly or damaged hair as it intensively conditions your locks. Jesse de Silva who introduced the treatment to the Daniel Hersheson salon says,

"It's a better alternative to other chemical-based treatments because your hair still maintains the natural wave without the frizz and this treatment isn't chemical based, so it's kinder to the hair." A secret concoction that includes cocoa, distilled water, keratin, red and white clay, vitamins and proteins means that it doesn't break the hair like other relaxers can. It's especially good for very thick, coarse hair that is prone to frizz as it cuts down on drying time and promises the sort of shine that is normally photo-shopped. Costing from £200 depending on the length of your hair, a perfect mane doesn't come cheap – but when you think of what you spend on monthly salon visits plus styling products it's not too extortionate either.

It's best to get your hair cut or trimmed beforehand so you can be sure the style will

look just-done. The treatment itself takes around an hour and a half, depending on the length and thickness of the hair. After the solution is applied, it is sealed with a hot ceramic iron, which seals in moisture; the result is shiny, soft and manageable locks.

I left with almost different hair. Plenty of volume at the crown (as I'd requested, there is nothing that screams Nineties' hair more than flat, straight curtain-style locks) with sleek, soft, super-smooth hair and not a hint of the dreaded frizz.

I was told the next 48 hours would be crucial. No rain, no showering, no sauna, no gym, no sweating. I tentatively took the tube home – taking care not to stand too close to the fans or walk down the escalators at anything more than an easy pace. Tucking hair behind the ears was a no-no, too, as apparently the hair will then fall back into the kinky shape, every time you blow dry. I was afraid that sleeping may ruffle my do but the next morning I just shook it back into shape.

The day of judgement was the day after, when I succumbed to washing my hair. Jesse told me to wait 48 hours and then just to shampoo and condition as normal but I used a slightly lighter conditioner as my hair felt almost too silky and flyaway already. I was told to just rough dry my hair as usual but normally rough drying would result in a mass of unruly frizz. I was tentative to say the least, especially as I was in Paris at this point getting ready for a party and wondering if leaving all my styling tools at home had been a good idea. Sure enough though, my new, sleek style started to emerge, as if by magic. Realising I actually had no idea how to blow-dry my hair after years of leaving it to dry naturally or paying for salon blow dries, I was quite impressed by my efforts with a hair drier. I was almost shocked to look like I'd just stepped out of a salon.

Two months on and it's still looking Gossip Girl glossy. While my hair is slightly less

shiny and slightly more wavy than it was right after my appointment, it still looks definitely smoother and healthier. Whereas before I would wash my hair at night, do a deep conditioning mask and leave it to dry in plaits, now I almost wash and go. A friend, commenting on my groomed appearance asked me if I'd learnt to blow

dry it properly now. Not really, I admitted, thinking of how I'd spent just 10 minutes on it while eating a slice of toast this morning. Low maintenance but with high maintenance results; what more could a girl want?

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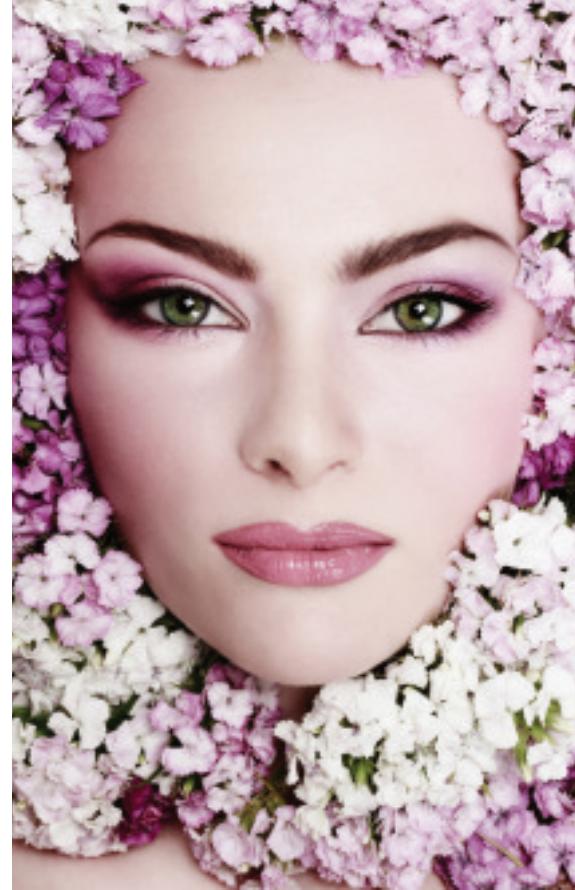
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Louise designs each programme with one of her team before the programme commences, based on the individuals requirements and deadlines. A rigid, yet balanced diet is devised, ensuring the results of your programme are optimized. In six weeks, you will emerge looking better than you thought you ever could. What she does isn't gimmicky – but it is an intelligent combination of three factors – nutrition, training and lifestyle, delivered in just the right combination. She insists: "you need to really want to make a change, and then just follow the programme and you will be amazed by what you can achieve."

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# The heart of the matter

Assess your cardiovascular risk with the new Heart Health Check and protect yourself from the UK's biggest killer



**C**ardiovascular disease (CVD) devastates lives and can affect people (often without warning) at any age. In fact, heart and circulatory disease is the UK's biggest killer, claiming nearly a quarter of a million lives each year in the UK.

## Why should I be concerned?

You might be surprised to learn that people from as young as 40 can benefit from having their risk assessed to identify the probability of developing heart disease or suffering from a heart attack. The good news is that the majority of heart disease is potentially preventable.



## What can I do to prevent heart disease?

The Heart Health Check service provides a comprehensive programme for men and women aged 40–74. The service takes place at Knaresborough Place Medical Chambers in London, in a reassuring and calm environment. Dr Ferruccio De Lorenzo MD PhD CCST leads an expert team, offering the highest level of medical care. Dr De Lorenzo was previously a consultant at the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital and at present practises cardiovascular disease prevention at the Lipid Clinic, Hammersmith Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. The programme takes you on a 'journey' from the initial consultation, with advice on reducing risk factors, such as blood pressure, cholesterol, obesity and diabetes, through to follow up assessments for those at greater risk.

**The Heart Health Check 'step by step' approach includes:**

- 1. Prevention** – You will have your risk estimated using a risk calculator, a blood pressure test and a blood test to assess your risk of developing heart disease, followed by a consultation with Dr De Lorenzo. You will be classified into 'low', 'intermediate' and 'high' risk of developing cardiovascular disease.
- 2. Assessment** – If you are classified as 'high' risk you will be given a heart scan to identify calcium and blockages in the arteries, carotid ultrasound and an ECG stress test. You will then be provided with a step-by-step programme to reduce the necessary risk factors
- 3. Treatment** – If you are identified as high risk you will be provided with medical support

**Dr De Lorenzo is giving The Resident readers the opportunity to take advantage of a three month introductory offer (September–December 2009) of only £100 for an initial Heart Health Check. For further information or to book a Heart Health Check please contact 020 7244 4200, email [heart@londonmedicalchambers.com](mailto:heart@londonmedicalchambers.com) or visit [www.londonmedicalchambers.com](http://www.londonmedicalchambers.com)**



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# Hidden Marrakech

Chasing the last rays of summer sun, **Raffaella Barker** retreats to the urban oasis of Riad El Fenn, Vanessa Branson's design haven in the heart of Morocco's colourful, crowded and historical city

I love the autumn and always want to maximise my exposure to the soft sunny days and crisp evenings of the season. Summer holidays seem like a distant memory and before we disappear under the many layers of winter there is no better place to go for a few days of tranquil golden relaxation than Riad El Fenn in Marrakech.

This is Vanessa Branson's hotel, and like many of the best, spontaneous things, it came into existence by accident. Vanessa and her husband Robert Devereux have always visited Morocco; Robert has run in the Marathon des Sables (the six-day, 151 mile endurance race across the Sahara Desert) and Vanessa's brother Richard Branson made several of his hot-air balloon attempts on the world from Morocco. He also has a hotel, Kasbah Tamadot, in the Atlas Mountains. Branson thought that to have a small house in Marrakech for family holidays would be easy and fun. But then she saw and fell in love with El Fenn, a ruined palace with incredibly proportions, and trees growing out of the roof. Clearly the bar for thinking big had already been set by her husband and brother, so when Vanessa went to the notary to finalise the deal she had done with owners of El Fenn, she was surprised but not

appalled to find she had not bought just one palace, but three more down the street.

This gem of a boutique hotel is in the picturesquely named Bab El Ksour which means "street of the palaces" just minutes from Jemma El Fna and tucked into the beautiful old Medina district. Marrakech is synonymous with bustle and trade, but from the moment the dramatic carved doors of El Fenn are opened, an air of calm scented with orange blossom and spiked with idiosyncratic touches pervades.

In the hall, jewel bright leather slippers and a surprise pair of pink Converse are arranged on the black and white marble floor like an art installation. Warm red walls welcome, with arches leading to

cool courtyards where trays of mint tea and cake appear every afternoon and a family of tortoises lurk beneath tumbling bougainvillea. The atmosphere is redolent of laid-back luxury and sophisticated taste. And the art is superb.

"When we bought El Fenn I made a quantum leap of faith and immediately shipped five pieces from my collection" says Branson, "The Bridget Riley in the hall is one of only two of her paintings in the whole of Africa." The hotel also houses work by William Kentridge and Anthony Gormley, and a series of photographs by Guy Tillim of South African soldiers is both moving and stunning.

The individuality expressed by Branson and her two partners, Howell James and Frederic Scholl gives Riad El Fenn its essence. That it has grown from just six rooms around the central courtyard to over 20 rooms in five interconnected houses without losing any attention to detail and without compromising any element of comfort or design is impressive. Each of the rooms is different; the walls are coloured with the local pigment from rose pink and sensuous purple to orange, blue and sage green, while bathrooms are created for Cleopatra-style indulgence.



Lanterns in the souk



The main pool terrace

Branson recalls beginning work on the building almost six years ago. "With every decision we went for the highest quality, by doing that, the project became much bigger, and what had started as a house to lock up and leave became more ambitious and then had to be a hotel. Once that decision was made it became very exciting. I like 'stuff', my partner Howell James is great on colour and Fred set the design standard."

So there is the room that was chosen as 'One of the Sunday Times' 10 sexiest suites in the world', with its leather hand-stitched floor modelled on artist Joseph Beuys's studio and a cream tiled fireplace with silver inset. There are rooms with low beds and huge baths, rooms with corner fireplaces and amazing wooden four posters, there are suites and intimate rooms with their own terraces from which to sip tea and watch the birds and butterflies in the orange trees. There is even a room with its own private pool. All of them are furnished with locally sourced Fifties furniture and local textiles, but put together with sophistication and given depth by the incredible art which Branson continues to bring out to Marrakech.

The result is a sleek boutique hotel with a couture feeling to it. There is no front desk, just an office tucked discreetly in the library. Flasks of tea and coffee are left on a tray outside your room every morning.

"I hate people walking into your bedroom, and it sets the tone. We did away with tipping until you leave as well."

## The atmosphere is redolent of laid back luxury and sophisticated taste

Once ensconced in a bedroom with a fire crackling and the scent of the olive logs burning, it is hard to leave the Riad at all. We spent days sitting on the roof terrace by the pool, playing chess in the sun. The food at El Fenn is characteristic, simple yet sophisticated and there are not many places to beat it in Marrakech. The porridge I had for breakfast every morning,

The suite voted 'One of the 10 sexiest in the world' by the Sunday Times



made with cinnamon, almonds and warm milk was comfort food at its best. Lunch, with pepper salads and lamb kebabs marinated in mint and lemon served next to the tiled pool, was lovely to linger over until it was time to sleep, have a massage and then dinner, all without setting foot outside.

The hammam is an intrinsic part of the Moroccan experience and El Fenn has two rooms for massage and a small hammam. On the day it rained, (odd but even in Morocco it can happen) my boyfriend and I were actually delighted, as it meant we needed no excuse to succumb to the excellent masseuses and then watch movies in the small cinema.

Of course Marrakech itself offers so much, and life beyond the hotel is beguiling. But even culture seems to begin at home. "We have brilliant things planned," says Branson, who is co-curator of AiM, a biennial arts festival in Marrakech taking place from 19-23 November. "Arts In Morocco is one of the few festivals to celebrate all of the arts, and we use all of Marrakech, too."

So there will be documentaries at the Marrakech Film School, a stage with performances outside in Jemma el Fna, visual arts at the museum, live music in different venues around town and performance events at el Fenn. All this in one weekend. And for anyone who can't make it then, come any time to experience the permanent piece of living art that is Riad el Fenn.

A deluxe room, with breakfast and afternoon tea costs from 2,000DH per room/per night. A suite, 4,600DH. [riadelfenn.com](http://riadelfenn.com), [aimfestival.org](http://aimfestival.org)



Another of Riad el Fenn's sumptuous suites

# Restaurant directory



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**Signature dish:** A wonderful choice of Asian-influenced tapas.

**Sample dishes:** Teriyaki beef salad, seafood linguini, tuna and seabass sashimi.

**House wine:** Chardonnay, Rubicone, Terre Forti Trebbiano, Italy.

**Approx price for two:** £50.

**Private room:** The Red Room.

**Opening Times:** Tuesday-Saturday, 3pm-11pm

**Offer:** 50 per cent off food (quote

The Resident upon making the reservation; available until 31 October 2009).



## CHEYNE WALK BRASSERIE

50 Cheyne Walk, SW3 5LR, 020 7376 8787  
[www.cheynewalkbrasserie.com](http://www.cheynewalkbrasserie.com)

**Sample dishes:** Scallops wrapped in Parma ham with grilled asparagus and tomato confit; *croustillant* of duck confit in filo with balsamic cabbage and duck jus; homemade nougat ice cream with red-fruit coulis.

**House wine:** Sauvignon Blanc, Les Perles, Vin de Pays d'Oc, 2007; Faugères, Les Léonides, Domaine du Méteore, 2005; both £24/bottle.

**Approx price for two:** lunch £60, dinner £90.

**Private room:** In the style of an indulgent French salon, with stunning river views, the salon can be used for private dining for up to 20 people and for canapés/drinks up to 70.

**Opening times:** Monday-Saturday, 7pm-10.30pm; Tuesday-Sunday, 12pm-3pm.



## VIVEZZA

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020 7730 0202 [www.vivezza.co.uk](http://www.vivezza.co.uk)

**Sample dishes:** Spaghetti with crab, *insalata Vivezza*, grilled seabass with fennel, chicken breast with ham and fontina cheese in a brandy sauce, pannacotta. Table d'hôte (lunch only):

2 courses £15.95; 3 courses £18.95

**House wine:** Malvasia Bianco (Sicily), Sangiovese (Puglia), both at £14.95

**Approx price for two:** lunch £45; dinner £70

**Private room:** Restaurant available for private hire. Max number of guests 55

**Outdoor area:** Pavement seating for six

**Atmosphere:** Classic, smart and traditional

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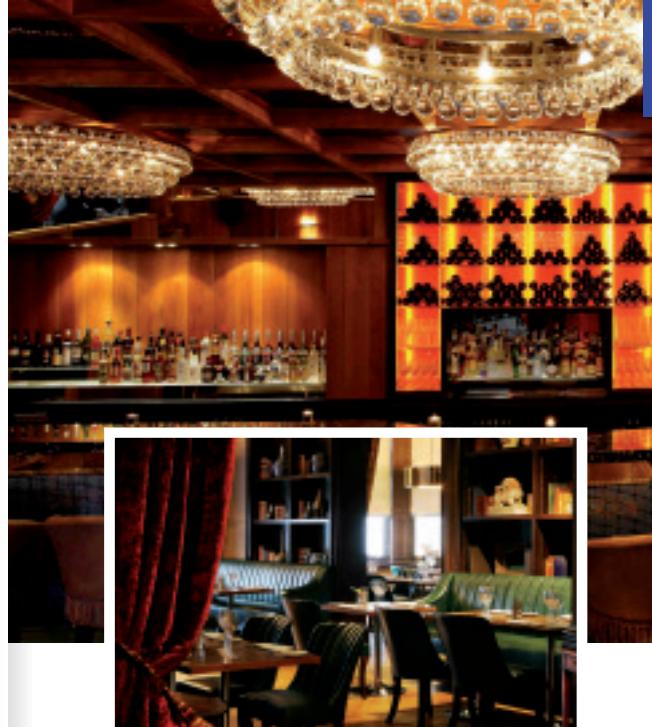
50ml Tuaca  
150ml Ginger ale  
3 lime wedges  
ice cubes

Pour Tuaca into a highball glass over ice. Fill with ginger ale. Squeeze in the lime wedges and drop them into the drink. Stir and serve.

**Host a roast**

Kensal Green gastropub Paradise has a new Sunday lunch package, offering three-course family-style roasts for £29.50 per person with a choice of a whole chicken or duck, leg of lamb, suckling pig or rib of beef carved at the table. Trimmings include fluffy Yorkshire puddings, roast potatoes (cooked until golden and crunchy in duck fat), and a selection of seasonal veg.

**Paradise by Way of Kensal Green**  
19 Kilburn Lane, W10 4AE, 020 8969 0098

**Neighbourhood newcomer**

South Ken has a smart new eating option in Aubrey, a restaurant and bar on the ground floor of the recently opened Kensington Hotel. The clubby dining room serves British food – think scallops on pea purée, calf's liver and bacon, then crumble to finish – and there's also a decent set lunch (£19 for three courses). Our favourite spot is the cosy bar.

**Aubrey, The Kensington Hotel**  
109-113 Queen's Gate  
SW7 5LR, 020 7589 6300

# table talk

by Annica Wainwright, an editor at *Square Meal*

**Cool for school**

Kids will love the new fruit squeezyes from smoothiemongers Innocent. Made from 100 per cent crushed fruit (strawberries and raspberries or pineapple and mango), the individual servings slip neatly into lunchboxes and can be frozen to make fresh fruit lollies. Though 'designed by kids for kids', we also like using them to make fruity Champagne cocktails.

Available from Sainsbury's, Tesco and Waitrose, RRP £1.99 per box of six.

**Super-charged sweets**

We thought collagen was for lip injections but you can apparently 'eat yourself beautiful' with these new collagen-enriched marshmallows.

After trying just one bag, we can't vouch for their effectiveness, but the springy little balls are so tasty we'll happily keep munching 'til our skin starts glowing – or not, as the case may be.

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**The front row detox, says ELLE**

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# restaurant reviews



## THE CLARENDRON

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The site previously occupied by Notting Grill has undergone a complete transformation, emerging as an airy gastropub topped by a chic cocktail bar and sizeable roof terrace – all decorated with hand-picked antiques. The staff were still revving up on our visit (one waitress asked if we wanted our chateaubriand served as a starter, then failed to put the order through at all) but the kitchen delivered impressive food that compensated for ditzy service and long waits between courses.

'Jumbo' prawns lived up to their name and the plump specimens arrived beautifully charred off the grill, even if the accompanying aioli lacked the expected punch. Scallops, meanwhile, were both perfectly cooked and successfully dressed, with a rich scallop roe sauce adding interest and depth. The ensemble also involved crisp shards of bacon and velvety pea purée – a nice twist on a classic recipe and a near-perfect match to the crisp white Rioja recommended by the clued-up bar manager.

At main, the stand-out dish was without a doubt the pearly white fillet of halibut, served with a vibrant sauce vierge and seasonal vegetables with plenty of bite. Not only was it a flawlessly executed dish but, given the generous portion and quality of ingredients, it was also an absolute bargain at just £14. The long-awaited Chateaubriand (served some 20min after our other mains) didn't disappoint either – think tender rare meat complemented by an earthy mushroom fricassee and a choice of fat or skinny chips – but, at £45 for two, it was rather more hefty priced.

The late arrival of the steak left little time for pudding so we jumped straight to coffee, forsaking a rather lush-looking Eton mess in favour of what turned out to be an amateurish homemade chocolate selection – one mistake we won't be making next time.

*By Annica Wainwright,  
an editor of Square Meal*



## CRITERION

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It's been a while since the Criterion was among London's hottest restaurants – but it's always topped the list of the capital's most beautiful dining rooms. Originally opened in 1874, the Grade II-listed space, adorned with marble floors, mirrored walls and stunning gold ceilings, is one of few rooms to justify the term 'breathtaking'. The neo-Byzantine shrine to beauty has certainly never failed to blow us away and the effect of walking through its polished doors is magnified by having to navigate the touristy throngs of Piccadilly Circus to get to them.

Until quite recently, this room played host to a branch of Marco Pierre White and Franco Dettori's casual Franco's Italian Bar & Grill chain, which seemed almost like an insult to the grand surrounds, but the new owners have thankfully got higher aspirations.

Head chef is 27-year-old Matthew Foxon, who rose to fame as the man behind the stoves at The Rosendale when Time Out named it gastropub of the year. Here, he has created an all-pleasing menu that complements starters, mains and desserts with separate sections for soups, crustacea, sushi, grills and egg dishes. The latter delivered a perfectly nice eggs Benedict, but to head straight for classics would be to miss out on some truly exciting cooking.

Foxon's take on beef tartare was one of our favourite dishes this year: tender cubes of lightly marinated meat served with a cucumber and caramel popcorn salsa – as curious as it was delicious. Well-drilled waiting staff also brought us a daringly rare ostrich fillet with sweet potato mash and some well-chosen wines to match. We can't wait to return for the bargain Theatre Menu (£18/£23 for two/three courses) served at lunchtime as well as for early and late dinners, seven days a week. *By Annica Wainwright, an editor of Square Meal*



## GREEN'S

36 DUKE STREET, ST. JAMES'S SW1Y 6DF, 020 7491 7325

Ducking into Sam Parker Bowles Duke Street restaurant, from the bright lights of St James's one feels immediately clandestine. The tinted windows and discreet booths make this venue perfect for those secret assignations. The mahogany and blood red banquets are fiercely fought over by Green's patrons (the proximity to Christie's and the Cork Street galleries means Green's has much of a gentleman's club about it) who are kept happy by the old-school charm and discreetly attentive service of general manager Laurent Lucas-Dufour.

We just missed the start of the native oyster season, but it's obviously marked in the diary of Green's regulars; the restaurant receives 300 orders a day as in the first week. 75 per cent of the seasonal menu comes from the sea and perennial favourites include the famous fish and chips, smoked salmon and scrambled egg and steak tartare.

We started with Dorset crab sausage with pea sauce and tomato compote. The warm cylindrical parcels were like fish fingers for grown-ups, coupled with the fresh pea puree, we savoured the last tastes of summer and the famed fishcake proved it's credentials.

Mains followed, with the monkfish chunks served proudly on golden nuggets of sautéed potatoes, all doused in a chicken, cider and bramley apple jus, the meaty liquor proving the perfect partner to the robust, fleshy fish. The Gressingham duck came daringly pink, crispy skinned and lying on a bed of earthy spinach.

Desserts step away from the traditional nursery puddings with innovative offerings such as Oak Dean Farm gooseberry steamed pudding with iced, minted buttermilk parfait. We opted for the coal black sticky chocolate mousse cake, with red cherry compote; the perfect closing act to the evening. If you find yourself in the City, why not visit Green's first outpost at 14 Cornhill, opening this month.

*By Lydia Williams*

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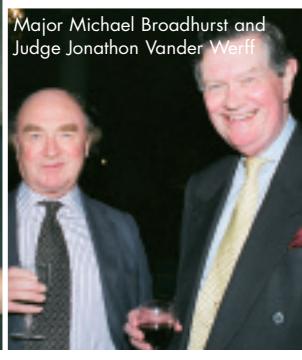
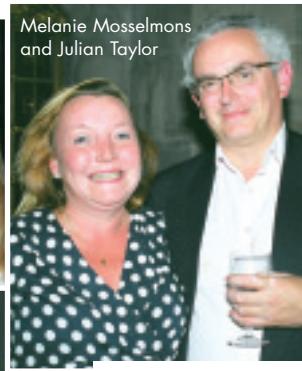


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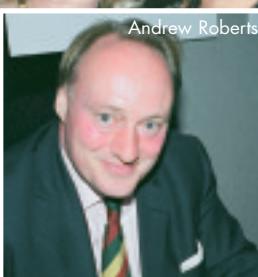
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Over 150 people attended the Chelsea Barracks Action Group fundraising evening, Chelsea Barracks in Peace and War, at the Holy Trinity Sloane Square Church. Andrew Roberts gave the guest lecture, talking his avid audience through the history of Chelsea and the barracks, from the Roman occupation to the present day.

Photography by Alex Galbraith



Salon Prive, the four day luxury super car event at the Hurlingham Club, was attended by society belles and concours connoisseurs alike. An endless flow of champagne kept the VIP area busy, whilst guests swooned over the latest launches from cars to carats.

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# My residence:

**James Lord, managing director, Love & Lord European wedding and event planner**

**Where do you live and why?** Just off Portobello Road. It's at the 'interesting' end of Portobello – considerably nearer to Golborne Road than Westbourne Grove.

**What makes you smile about where you live?**

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**Where would you live if money was no object?**

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**What three things would you rescue if your house was on fire?** My two children and the goldfish.

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**Most wacky request?** For a private birthday party we are currently planning in Tuscany the host is wanting his guests to arrive by authentic Roman chariot. Finding one working chariot is difficult enough but a fleet of them is proving to be particularly taxing.

**Biggest disaster?** The groom's 90-year old mother had to be rushed to hospital during the rehearsal dinner on one wedding but eventually it was diagnosed as dehydration and she was able to go to the ceremony. It was the groom's 4th wedding and the best man came up with probably the best line I have ever heard. "Welcome to four weddings and nearly a funeral"!

**Have you ever cried at a clients wedding?** I leave that to my wonderful team of planners. I usually keep the stiff upper lip.

**Proudest moment?** A very important father of the bride had specified that he did not want make a speech. At the end of the night he requested the microphone and thanked me for organising the perfect wedding day. Considering who he was and that it was impromptu, it meant a lot.

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**Most extravagant request?**  
A six-figure budget just for flowers to decorate the grounds of a large villa. The most interesting bit was that it was only accessible by helicopter which added another dimension to the planning process.

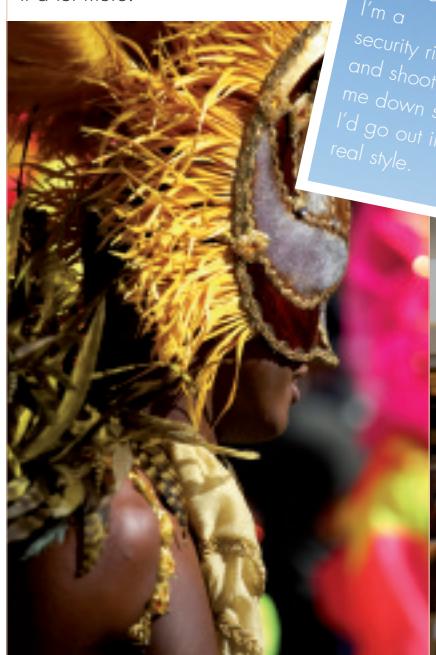


**The most romantic wedding location is...**  
Despite its popularity it is still Tuscany for me. The quality of amazingly romantic venues there is unsurpassed. I've just come back from a trip to Provence and it has the potential to be as good as Tuscany but in a few years time.



**What one thing would you change about where you live?**

For residents the Carnival every year is something to avoid rather than embrace. I'd make it a London carnival that moves around the city, then we would probably enjoy it a lot more.



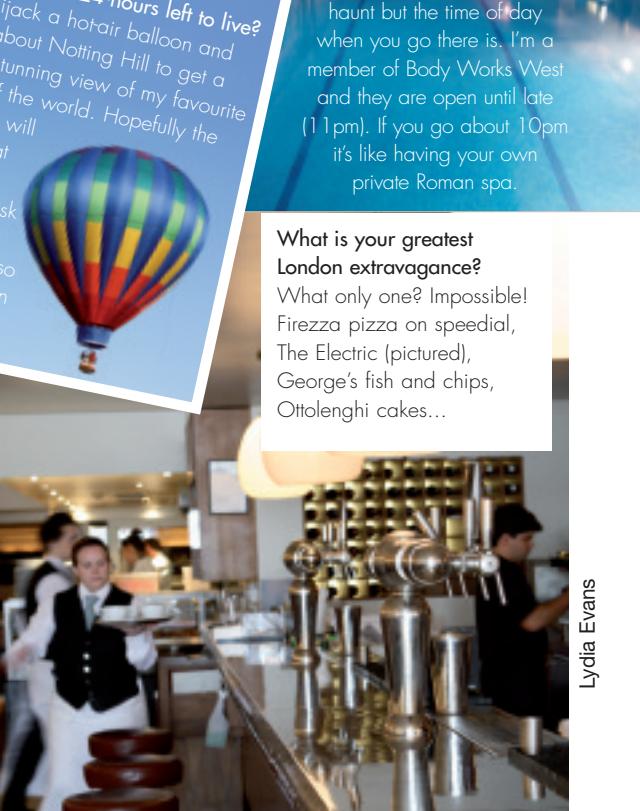
**What would you do with 24-hours left to live?**  
I'd hijack a hotair balloon and rise about Notting Hill to get a final stunning view of my favourite military will think that I'm a security risk and shoot me down so I'd go out in real style.



**What is your secret local haunt?** It's not really a secret haunt but the time of day when you go there is, I'm a member of Body Works West and they are open until late (11pm). If you go about 10pm it's like having your own private Roman spa.



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Headmistress: Mrs Catherine Thomlinson

Founded: 1975

Religious denomination: Non-denominational

Pupil age: boys four-11 years, girls four-10 years

Single sex/co-ed: Boys and girls (taught separately)

Number of pupils: 250

Average class size: 17

Fees per term: £3,360

Extra-curricular activities available: Ballet, chess, cricket, French, guitar, netball, science, yoga and individual music tuition

**School's ethos:** Pupils enjoy a balanced and rich curriculum delivered by highly trained and motivated staff. There is outstanding art, drama and music. Facilities are excellent. All this is inspired by a strong but open spiritual ethos through which children are encouraged to discover their own talents.

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Founded: 1860

Religious denomination: Non-denom

Age of pupils: 11-18

Single sex/co-ed: Female

Number of pupils: 710

Average class size: 18-24

Fees per term: £4,782

Extra-curricular activities available: As well as bursary assistance, the school offers a music scholarship (up to 30 per cent fees)

**School's ethos:** The school provides a stimulating environment for girls who have the interest and ability to follow an academic course. Music, art, drama and extra-curricular activities flourish throughout the school and academic results are outstanding. In the Sixth Form, the International Baccalaureate is offered alongside Advanced Level.

**School's motto:** 'Francha Leale Toge' – Free and loyal art thou

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Founded: September 1996

Religious denomination: Christian

Age of pupils: seven-13 years

Single sex/co-ed: Co-ed

Number of pupils: 324 across both sites

Average class size: 18

Fees per term: £4,375

Extracurricular activities available: Chess, fencing, ballet, chamber choir; choir; mandarin, football, netball, art, ICT, drama, Science

**School's ethos:** A co-ed school which enables its pupils to not only reach their potential but to exceed it, giving them the confidence to aim high.

**School's motto:** Children learn what they live.

**Open days:** Personal show rounds by appointment.

**Term dates for 09/10:** 9 September-11

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Average class size: 18

Fees per term: £3,925

Extracurricular activities available:

Various sports and art and drama.

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**School's motto:** Children learn what they live.

**Open days:** Thursday mornings by appointment.

**Term dates for 09/10:** 9 September-11 December; 5 January-24 March, 14 April-7 July.





# WRITE TO LIFE

A dynamic new charity aims to inspire inner-city school children through creative writing workshops. **Amanda Constance** meets Katie Waldegrave, the founder and director of First Story.

Picking up an anthology of writing from First Story, a charity that aims to foster 'literacy, creativity and talent' in some of our toughest schools, the first thing you notice is the stellar list of names of its advisory board. It's quite a charity that can boast Andrew Adonis, Julian Barnes, Jamie Byng, Andrew Cowan, Simon Jenkins, Mark Haddon, Chris Patten, Zadie Smith – to name but a few – among its supporters.

And then you start reading the stories. The product of creative writing workshops held in eight London schools during the last academic year, they bowl you over. It's the sheer scope of imagination, the wit, flair and youthful sass on display. Some of the writing leaves you gasping, some is moving, some acutely funny, some downright strange but all of it is extraordinary, and this from groups of teenagers who had probably never picked up a pen before.

The idea behind First Story is simple but quietly revolutionary. The charity pays acclaimed authors to act as writers-in-residence for two terms of weekly creative writing workshops in inner-city schools, in partnership with the school's teaching staff. The charity then pays for students to publish their work in an anthology, with each participating school

arranging a corresponding 'open house' event for the budding authors to read their stories aloud to friends, families and teachers.

The author Philip Pullman is just one of a growing band of illustrious fans. 'It's a very exciting idea,' he says. 'Having been a teacher myself, I know how writing - real writing, not the artificial exercises produced for tests and examinations - can liberate and strengthen young people's sense of themselves as almost nothing else can.'

The heavyweight fan club is more than a matter of luck. The director of First Story, Katie Waldegrave, is very well connected; her father is William Waldegrave, a former minister in Margaret Thatcher's cabinet and now provost of Eton, while her mother, Caroline Waldegrave, is the celebrated cookery writer and founder of Leith's cookery school. But she makes no apologies for using her contacts. 'If you've got them, why not exploit them for something good?', she says.

And Waldegrave junior is no airhead riding on parental coattails. Having started First Story in 2007, with the help of writer William Fiennes (author of the acclaimed *The Music Room* and *The Snow Geese*), this September will see the concept rolled out across 14 state schools in London and Oxford, each classified by the government as 'challenging'.

Waldegrave says the idea was borne of twin frustrations. After leaving Oxford, where she read history, Waldegrave joined the Teacher First programme, a charity that places talented graduates in inner-city schools. Sent to teach history at a school in Hounslow, within eight

months she was head of department. Within a couple of years, however, a meteoric rise had given way to disillusionment, stifled by those problems familiar to any state school teacher; over-worked and under-resourced, Waldegrave felt suffocated by an over-emphasis on exam results and she was shocked at the lack of extra-curricular activities. "At my own private secondary school (St Paul's Girls in London), we had

Katie Waldegrave



everything from sport to music, to the school paper. There was a literary society and a geography society, whereas in Hounslow, a buzzer sounded at 3.15 and the kids left."

She confesses her frustrations were both personal and professional. Keen to become a writer, she went part time, continuing her teaching in Hounslow but also commuting across the country to do an MA in Life Writing at the University

less than 50 per cent of students achieve five grades of A-C at GCSE, or schools where more than 30 per cent of pupils are eligible for free school meals. The workshops were offered to 15-18 year-olds, with a maximum of 16 students per school.

'It's an age when life is pretty complicated,' says Waldegrave, 'and when many kids are lost to the system. Education can become boring.'

**I was falling. Spiralling out of control. I landed on an innocent bystander, who never even saw me coming. He smiled when he felt my cold body touch his head. 'How lucky,' he said. 'The first snow of the season!'**

**by Sophie Wolfson, Highgate Wood School**

of East Anglia. (Her biography of the daughters of the poets Samuel Taylor Coleridge and William Wordsworth is due out in late 2011). During her time at UEA, mutual friends introduced Waldegrave to William Fiennes. As she recalls, not only was Fiennes an award-winning author but he was being well paid to be Writer in Residence at a private institution, the American School in London. It occurred to Waldegrave that such a scheme could have real value in the state sector so she asked Fiennes if he would consider repeating the exercise at her Hounslow school.

From the beginning, Waldegrave believed that if Fiennes' visits worked, the scheme might be rolled out to more schools. Both were inspired by author Dave Eggers' 826 Foundation in the United States, a nationwide programme of creative writing workshops. As Waldegrave explains, the US is streets ahead of Britain in this area. 'By not placing the entire burden on teachers, the wider community has a role to play,' she says. It quickly became apparent that Waldegrave and Fiennes' idea did work. Feedback from teachers and students was good and there were other positive side effects, too, such as improved confidence and better attendance in other classes.

And how did tough Hounslow kids respond to the well-spoken Fiennes? "They hadn't heard of him but liked the fact he was important," says Waldegrave, "If someone important takes you seriously it suggests you, too, are important."

Fiennes and Waldegrave started their pilot scheme in Hounslow in the autumn of 2007. By January of the following year they had a board of trustees, had begun fundraising, and had become a registered charity, launching workshops in eight London schools in the autumn of 2008.

First Story focused on schools where

particularly for really smart kids at struggling schools. By the time you get to A-levels, you have this enormous moral obligation to get the best grades you can. The trouble is, it's possible to teach most people to get an A\*, but where's the education?"

Finding willing writers was a "piece of cake", says Waldegrave, once the network of writers, publishers and agents got buzzing. Here, too, there were criteria. Participating writers had to be 'acclaimed', either recipients of, or nominated for, a major prize. Writers who took on the inaugural year for First Story include Aminatta Forna, Helen Simpson, Peter Hobbs, Louisa Young and The Resident's own columnist, Raffaella Barker. It was also a "reasonably self-selecting process," says Waldegrave. "If you think you can teach 17 year-olds in a tough London school, you probably can."

Each of the writers takes a workshop every week, in partnership with a teacher, getting the students to draw on their own experience. 'We all believe that's where you get the truest and best writing,' says Waldegrave. "Students might think being a 16 year-old in Hounslow isn't that interesting but people who aren't 16 year-olds in Hounslow think it's completely fascinating."

The classes have brought a big change in the children who've taken part, says Waldegrave. "There's a trust that builds between the students. At first, many won't read their story aloud to the group because it's terrifying. By the end, all of them will and do. They trust that it's going to be something worth other people listening to."

Waldegrave recalls a group of First Story students at the Oxford Literary Festival, where Philip Pullman chaired a panel hosted by the Royal Society of Literature. "There was a girl there who had not yet read her work out loud.

There she was, in the great hall at Christ Church, with Philip Pullman listening to her reading to a room full of people. The buzz when she had done it was immense! That's how you build confidence, managing risk and surviving it."

Waldegrave admits she is very excited about the second academic year of First Story. Not only is the charity over its teething troubles of the first year but this year the eight original schools have all agreed to pay a proportion of the costs, 'a great mark of success', says Waldegrave.

First Story is also expanding its teacher training programme. Waldegrave is adamant that the charity is as much about the teachers as the students and writers. "Creative writing is not taught much in schools," says Waldegrave, "and it's often down to a lack of confidence in the teacher." What the writers are doing is working on the ground with a teacher for the best part of a year, increasing their confidence, but also "their excitement about being a teacher." Waldegrave is aware that the charity as it is has its limitations, for one, "we'd run out of writers eventually", but if they can train teachers to teach the creative writing "then we are sowing the seeds for thousands of students". So First Story is also running separate teacher training courses this year, with the Princes Teaching Institute and through Teacher First.

"Our vision," says Waldegrave, "is to become the people for creative writing and perhaps change the way people think about teaching." In some pockets of London, it would seem First Story already has.

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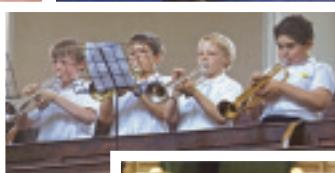
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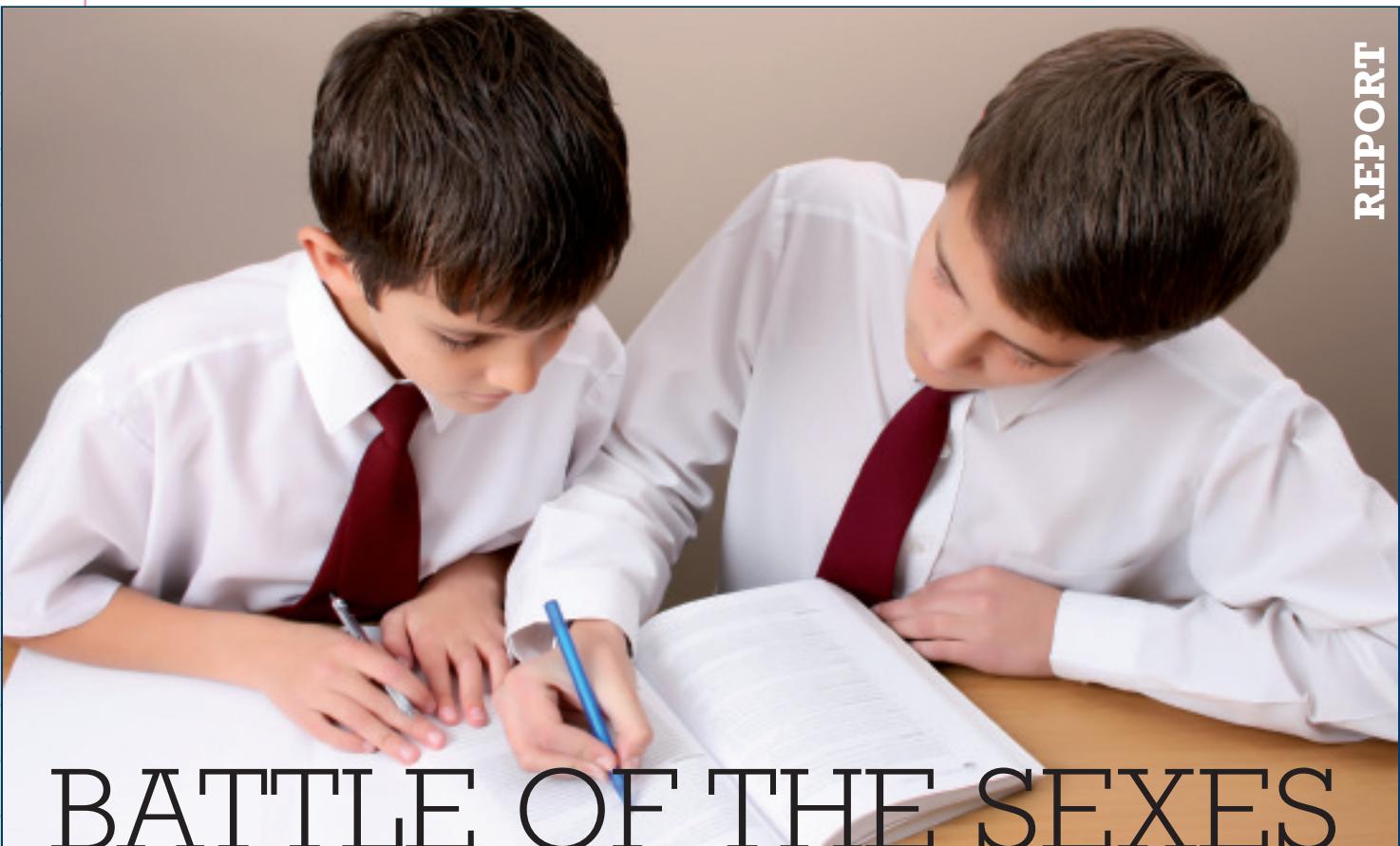
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# BATTLE OF THE SEXES

Single sex vs. co-ed?  
**Ralph Lucas** argues  
that it's a good  
choice to have

**I** grew up with a prejudice against single-sex education: neither my own experiences at Eton, nor my experience of girls who emerged from sheltered schools into the moral swamp of university life, led me to think that being educated apart from half the human race produced an improved result. But schools have changed, and I now have a broader and more tolerant view.

Most of the debate nowadays focuses round girls' schools. Boys only schools still exist – 152 mainstream senior schools at the last count – but largely in areas where parental preference has limited influence because the schools are (for other reasons) in such demand. Elsewhere boys' schools have been going co-ed for decades – often with a spell in limbo as boys' schools with a co-ed sixth form. The 339 girls only schools, on the other hand, still have a particular attraction for parents, and have proved more resistant to co-education.

Those in favour of girls' schools say:

- Girls work harder without boys distracting them

- Girls' brains work differently from boys' and respond to a different style of teaching
- In a single-sex environment girls are more likely to take up subjects normally dominated by boys, like maths and sciences (we can see strong evidence for this in our analyses of examination choices)
- A girls only environment is more wholesome – fewer opportunities for hanky-panky with boys
- It sets girls up for more promising careers, often in male-dominated industries
- Academically, girls achieve more highly in a girls only environment

Those in favour of boys' schools say... well, not much. The movement has no organised voice, and talk is mostly of tradition. We have a fondness for boys' schools in The Good Schools Guide, and anyway it is quite clear that many boys flourish in the environment, but there's no articulated philosophy.

- Supporters of co-ed education argue:
- It provides a healthier environment mirroring the real world
  - There is less bullying when boys and girls learn alongside each other
  - Pupils educated in co-ed schools handle university better
  - Both sexes learn to treat each other as friends and colleagues rather than mysterious beasts

- Brothers and sisters can attend the same school
- It's the norm in most other largely secular modern countries

Research throws some light on the question. The Institute of Education found that girls who go to girls' schools earn more than those who go co-ed. A study of 425,138 high-school students carried out in Israel in 2006 found that putting girls in with the boys helped the boys, but not the girls. Our own analysis of value added in girls' non-selective state schools shows that less able girls flourish there in a way that they do not in a co-ed environment. Against this, it appears to us that pupils attending single-sex schools may be pre-selected for success: parents who have opted to send a child to a single-sex school have made a positive choice to do so and can often eloquently tell you why.

So how in all this confusion and argument do you make a choice with your children? The answer is treat the theories with caution, consider your child, visit the schools and trust your instincts. Look for a school that values and honours children like yours.

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**Friday 30 October**

**11am**

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**12:30pm**

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**2pm**

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**2.45pm**

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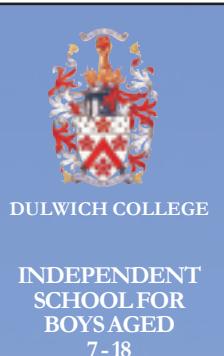
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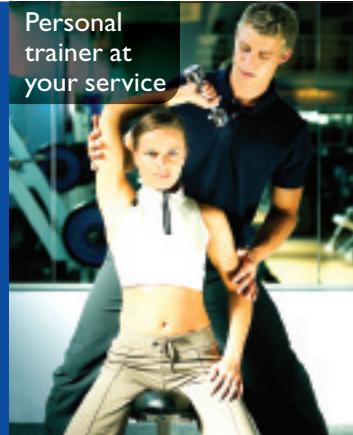
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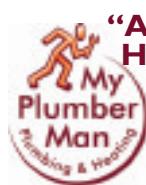
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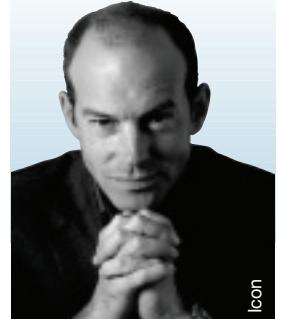
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The tax breaks the MP's exploited can be used by anyone who has a second home. The ability to 'flip' is particularly helpful when combined with 'time to sell' rules. The rules state that you elect which property is your main residence – and there is no CGT to pay on a main residence. However, it is still possible to minimise CGT on selling a second home quite legitimately and without upsetting anyone.

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**WHAT:** A red-brick mansion flat on a smart Victorian street.  
**WOW FACTOR:** It a stone's throw from Victoria station.  
**EXTRAS:** Two of the three bedrooms have shiny new en-suite bathrooms.  
**DETAILS:** Strutt & Parker, 020 7235 9959



### **◀ Chester Square, SW1 £8.5m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A period family home with five bedrooms and five living rooms.  
**WOW FACTOR:** The grand reception room on the first floor leads out onto a large roof terrace.  
**EXTRAS:** Not only is there a double garage for parking and extra storage, there is also a wine cellar.  
**DETAILS:** Strutt & Parker, 020 7235 9959



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## Chester Square | Belgravia | SW1

4,760 sq ft (442 sq m)

Requiring some modernisation, this period house with adjoining mews house has off-street parking and planning permission to extend to 5,411 sq ft.

### Proposed accommodation:

Four reception rooms | Cinema room | Two studies | Kitchen/breakfast/family room | Six bedrooms all with en suite bath/shower rooms | Gym | Utility room | Parking for two cars

Asking price £8,500,000 Freehold

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## Ovington Square | Knightsbridge | SW3

4,576 sq ft (425.12 sq m)

A magnificent six bedroom house for development with planning consent for approx 5,760 sq ft, overlooking this attractive Knightsbridge garden square.

**Proposed accommodation:**

38 ft Drawing room | 34 ft Ballroom | Dining room | Ballroom | Kitchen | Six bedrooms all with en suite bath/shower rooms | Gym | Steam room | Spa | Lift | Two wine cellars | Balcony

Offers in excess of £7,250,000 Freehold

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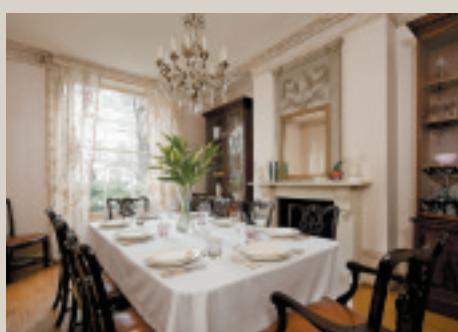
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## Drayton Gardens | Chelsea | SW10

3,667 sq ft (340 sq m)

Set behind its own private garden, a lovely large Victorian house with splendid original rooms and a pretty west facing garden.

Entrance hall | Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Family room | Office | Study | Five bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Utility room | Cloakroom | West facing garden

Asking price £4,500,000 Freehold

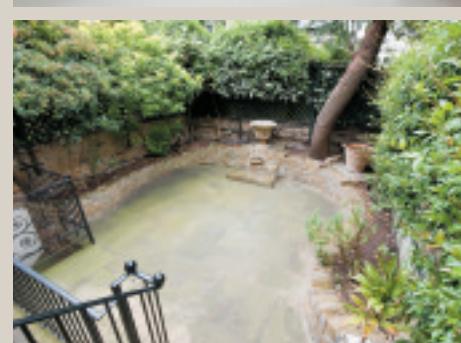
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## Neville Street | South Kensington | SW7

3,110 sq ft (288.91 sq m)

In this much sought after street just off Onslow Square, a handsome and well modernised house with particularly strong reception rooms.

Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen | Sitting room | Family room | Two study areas | Five bedrooms | Three bath/shower rooms | Dressing room | Utility/second kitchen | Cloakroom

Asking price £4,650,000 Freehold

Also available to rent £3,750 per week

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## Kelso Place | Kensington | W8

1,657 sq ft (153.94 sq m)

A charming three bedroom house over three floors only, situated in the very popular De Vere Conservation Area.

Entrance hall | Drawing room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Three bedrooms | Two bathrooms |  
Cloakroom | Utility room | Garden

Asking price £1,650,000 Freehold

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## Pembroke Square | Kensington | W8

2,669 sq ft (247.95 sq m)

A delightful five bedroom family house with the advantage of a south facing garden and roof terrace.

Hall | Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Family room | Five bedrooms |  
Four bathrooms | Cloakroom | Cellar | Garden | Terrace | Access to communal square garden

Asking price £2,950,000 Freehold

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## Bishops Road | Fulham | SW6

1,800 sq ft (167.22 sq m)

A very well presented three bedroom house in this wonderfully quiet one way section of Bishops Road, benefiting from a charming garden.

Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room | Master bedroom with en suite shower room |  
Two further bedrooms | Bathroom | Cloakroom | Cellar/utility | Garden

Asking price £900,000 Freehold

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## Bishops Road | Fulham | SW6

Unfurnished

A bright and well presented family house benefiting from excellent entertaining space and a charming garden.

Reception room | Kitchen/dining room | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom |  
Three further bedrooms | Bathroom | Garden

£850 per week

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## Sherbrooke Road | Fulham | SW6

**1,111 sq ft (103.21 sq m)**

An attractive and well presented terraced house benefiting from a charming south facing garden.

Entrance hall | Drawing room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Three bedrooms |  
Bathroom | Cloakroom | South facing garden

Asking price £669,000 Freehold

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## Hurlingham Road | Fulham | SW6

### Unfurnished

This charming terraced house benefits from a lovely double reception room, large kitchen/breakfast room and a pretty patio garden.

Double reception room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Three further bedrooms | Bathroom | Patio garden

£895 per week

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## Cadogan Place | Belgravia | SW1

### Furnished

A very special newly refurbished first floor maisonette in this lovely white stucco Georgian house overlooking gorgeous square gardens, just off Sloane Street.

Entrance hall | Reception room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Double bedroom with en suite shower room | Balcony

£1,995 per week

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## Hans Crescent | Knightsbridge | SW1

### Furnished

A two bedroom flat close to Harrods in this new prestigious development with concierge and valet parking (by separate negotiation).

Reception room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite shower room | Double bedroom | Further bathroom | Parking (by separate negotiation)

£1,500 per week

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## Palace Gardens Terrace | Kensington | W8

**Unfurnished**

An outstanding and unique maisonette located on one of Kensington's most sought after streets, offering well balanced family and entertaining space.

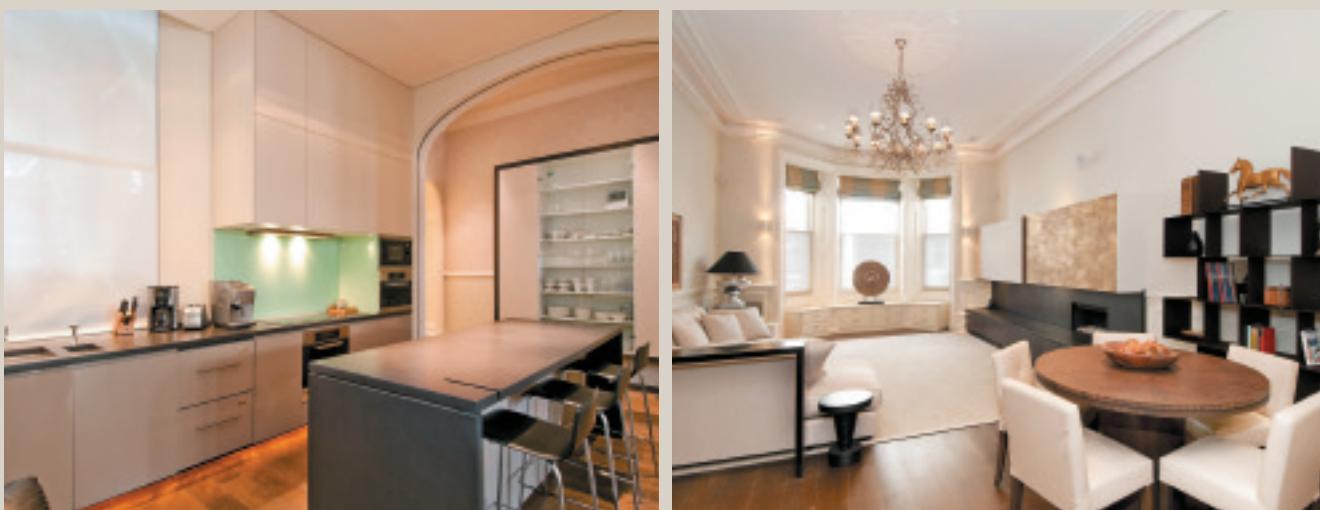
Entrance hall | Drawing room | Kitchen/dining/sitting room | Four double bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Two cloakrooms | Conservatory/study | Patio garden

£2,500 per week

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## Cornwall Gardens | South Kensington | SW7

**Furnished**

A truly unique and beautifully interior designed flat quietly tucked away in a fantastic location.

Reception room | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Private entrance | Decked terrace

£1,350 per week

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### Ovington Square | Knightsbridge | SW3

**710 sq ft (65.95 sq m)**

An exquisitely finished two bedroom flat featuring the finest fixtures and fittings on a pretty Knightsbridge garden square.

Reception room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Second bedroom | Shower room

Asking price £1,350,000 Share of Freehold

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### Chester Row | Belgravia | SW1

**2,270 sq ft (210.88 sq m)**

A white stucco fronted four bedroom family house situated on the south side of this quiet and popular Belgravia Street.

Drawing room | Sitting room | Kitchen/dining room | Four bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Study | Utility room | 34ft south facing garden

Asking price £3,250,000 Freehold

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### Bolton Gardens | South Kensington | SW5

**1,670 sq ft (155 sq m)**

A superbly refurbished two double bedroom flat benefiting from its own street entrance and stunning 52 foot south facing garden.

Open plan reception room/kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Further bedroom with en suite shower room | Study | Garden

Asking price £2,250,000 Share of Freehold

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### Drayton Court | Chelsea | SW10

**1,780 sq ft (165.36 sq m)**

A beautifully refurbished mansion block flat offering a multitude of high quality modern fittings and extensive technological systems.

Entrance hall | Double reception room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Three further bedroom suites | Cloakroom

Asking price £2,300,000 Share of Freehold

**Chelsea** 020 7225 3866

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### Carlisle Mansions | Westminster | SW1

**1,996 sq ft (183.43 sq m)**

Recently refurbished throughout, this stunning three bedroom flat features a superb double reception room with excellent natural light. Reception room/dining room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Three double bedrooms | Two en suite bathrooms | Shower room | 24 hour porter  
Asking price £1,950,000 Leasehold

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### Rossetti Garden Mansions | Chelsea | SW3

**1,320 Sq ft (122.6 sq m)**

An elegant and very well presented flat in this highly regarded mansion block with leafy views from the front and back.  
Entrance hall | Double reception room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Two further bedrooms | Bathroom  
Asking price £1,550,000 Share of Freehold

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### Markham Square | Chelsea | SW3

**1,615 sq ft (150 sq m)**

A stunning and luxurious three bedroom maisonette situated in one of Chelsea's most sought after garden squares.  
Double reception room | Kitchen/dining room | Three bedrooms with en suite bathrooms | Patio garden | Access to garden square (subject to a fee)  
Asking price £1,980,000 Leasehold

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### Eaton Square | Belgravia | SW1

**1,874 sq ft (174.10 sq m)**

A rare garden maisonette with its own private entrance and a delightful south facing garden and roof terrace.  
Two reception rooms | Kitchen | Two bedrooms (both en suite) |  
Roof terrace | Garden | Porter  
Asking price £3,500,000 Leasehold

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## Holbein Mews

Sloane Square SW1

A rare opportunity to purchase a substantial 3 bedroom mews house arranged over 3 floors with a garage. The property has been substantially refurbished and is finished to an extremely high standard with air conditioning to the principle rooms. The property offers a superb 1st floor reception with high ceilings, ground floor kitchen dining room, guest cloak room, utility room, a master bedroom with ensuite bathroom and walk in dressing room, and 2 further bedrooms..

£2,750,000

freehold

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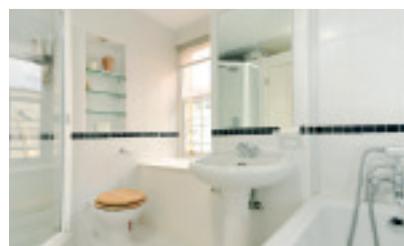


**Albert Gate Court**  
Knightsbridge SW1

A superb split-level penthouse apartment in a Victorian mansion block in the heart of Knightsbridge. This exceptional apartment has a double volume reception room and a terrace with park views. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2nd large reception room, study, kitchen, terrace and lift.

£5,750,000  
long lease

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## Gillingham Street Westminster SW1

This house is part of an attractive terrace of similar mid-Victorian town houses which were totally refurbished some 4 years ago. It offers well presented accommodation with modern fixtures. The accommodation is over 4 floors and comprises an elegant reception room and a kitchen opening on to a dining room. The master bedroom, dressing room and ensuite bathroom are set over the entire 1st floor and on the 2nd floor there are a further 2 bedrooms, a shower room and a WC. This handsome house is situated within an easy stroll of Victoria station.

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**DeVere Gardens**  
Kensington W8

An impressive 4 bedroom family apartment located in an elegant period building adjacent to Kensington Gardens. This excellent property has accommodation arranged over 3 levels and features a dramatic reception room together with a modern well fitted kitchen. Further accommodation includes a fitted kitchen/dining room, mezzanine study area, master bedroom with ensuite bathroom, 3 further bedrooms, 3 further bathrooms and a guest cloakroom.

£2,100,000

share of freehold

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#### Cheyne Walk SW3

£1,750 per week

A beautiful and spacious ground floor apartment in this prestigious portered period building which is located close to the river. Comprising 3 double bedrooms, 2 dressing rooms, double reception, eat in kitchen, separate laundry room and 3 bathrooms (2 en-suites) + cloakroom.

Chelsea

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#### Smith Street SW3

£1,700 per week

A stunning newly developed house in the heart of Chelsea located just off the Kings Road. The property has been meticulously modernised with air conditioning to the principle bedrooms. The property comprises 4 bedrooms, 3 bathroom, reception, eat in kitchen and a large entrance hall.

Chelsea

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#### Eaton Square SW1

£1,475 per week

An extremely well-presented ground and garden level maisonette with its own street entrance on one of London's most prestigious garden squares. The property benefits from high ceilings, wood flooring, private south-facing patio and access to the square garden. Reception/dining room, 2 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and kitchen.

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#### West Halkin Street SW1

£800 per week

A stunning, recently refurbished 1st and 2nd floor maisonette of c. 872 sq. feet with high ceilings and wood flooring finished to exacting standards. The property is conveniently located off Belgrave Square and ideal for Hyde Park and all the Knightsbridge amenities. Reception, study/dining room, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom.

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St Georges Square SW1  
£625 per week

This stunning and immaculately presented 2 double bedroom period conversion flat on St George's Square benefits from fantastic entertaining and living space, views of St George's square as well as convenient access to Pimlico underground station and local amenities. Double reception room with high ceilings and newly converted separate kitchen.

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Pimlico Place SW1  
£595 per week

A split level 2 double bedroom apartment, located in a very popular portered building with gymnasium and an allocated underground parking space. The property comprises 2 double bedrooms with the master bedroom having an ensuite shower room, a further tiled bathroom, separate WC, modern kitchen with integrated appliances and a bright reception with wood floors.

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Argyll Road W8  
£4,250 per week

A delightful period family house located on the sought after Phillimore Estate. Spacious accommodation located over 5 floors, comprising 6 double bedrooms, 3 bathrooms (1 ensuite), elegant drawing room, panelled library with fireplaces, formal dining room, spacious kitchen with underground wine cellar. South facing garden and off-street parking.

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De Vere Gardens W8  
£3,200 per week

An impressive, extremely spacious lateral 5/6 bedroom, 4 bathroom apartment, located moments from the open spaces of Kensington Gardens and Hyde Park. Offering contemporary palatial living space with original features.

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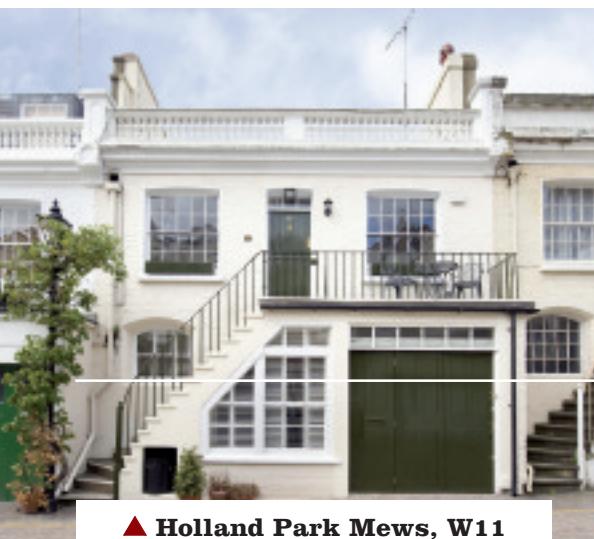
► **Ebury Street, SW1  
£2.45m, long lease**

**WHAT:** A recently modernised three-bedroom maisonette in a prestigious portered block.

**WOW FACTOR:** The expansive garden.

**EXTRAS:** Furniture and lighting by Christopher Wray are available by separate negotiation.

**DETAILS:** Chasemore Property  
020 3043 0022



► **Holland Park Mews, W11  
£1.495m, freehold**

**WHAT:** An elegant house tucked away in a Grade-II listed mews.

**WOW FACTOR:** The light and airy open-plan kitchen.

**EXTRAS:** It is within easy walking distance of Holland Park station.

**DETAILS:** Lurot Brand, 020 7479 1999



► **Grosvenor Square, W1  
£4.125m, leasehold**

**WHAT:** A rare lateral apartment with impressive rooms.

**WOW FACTOR:** The large double reception room.

**EXTRAS:** Porterage.

**DETAILS:** Chesterton Humberts  
020 7629 4513

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by Marina Kolobova



► **Rumbold Road, SW6  
£2.8m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A state-of-the-art four-bedroom family home with a west-facing landscaped garden.

**WOW FACTOR:** The high-tech fittings including audio-visual entertainment systems in every room and anti-mist mirrors in the bathroom.

**EXTRAS:** A convenient off-street parking space.

**DETAILS:** Tomlinson Property  
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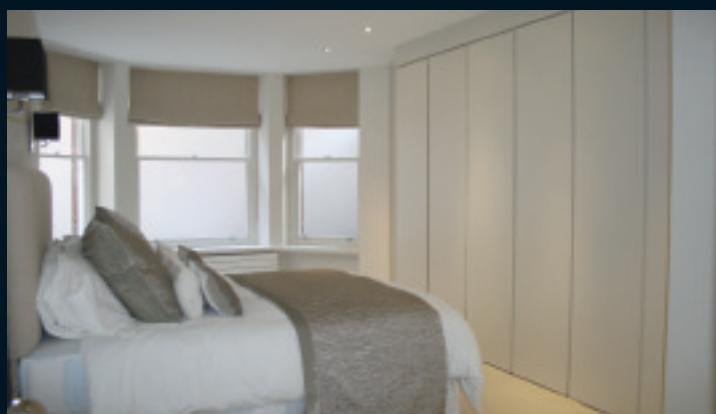
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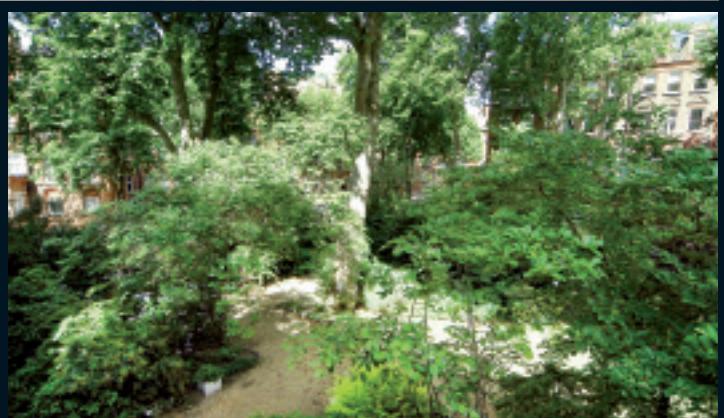
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4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 reception rooms.

Unfurnished £2,500 per week



## RANELAGH GROVE, SW1

Victorian family house located off Pimlico Road close to Victoria and Sloane Square Underground stations.

4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room.

Unfurnished £2,200 per week



## VAUXHALL GROVE, SW8

A ground and lower ground maisonette forming part of a converted pub.

2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 reception rooms.

Furnished/Unfurnished £520 per week



## EBURY STREET, SW1

1<sup>st</sup> floor flat in this period conversion close to Victoria Station and Elizabeth Street.

Bedroom, bathroom, reception room.

Furnished £430 per week

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## ELM PARK ROAD, SW3

An exceptional flat which has been recently refurbished throughout with a superb private garden.  
3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 reception rooms.

Unfurnished £1,950 per week



## ONSLOW GARDENS, SW7

A 3<sup>rd</sup> floor flat with access to a fully maintained garden.  
2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room.

Unfurnished £750 per week



## FLOOD STREET, SW3

An artist studio flat with high vaulted ceilings and a spacious reception room with fireplace and dining area.  
Reception room, bathroom.

Furnished £525 per week



## Time is Money

**It's a good time to consider buying your freehold or extending your lease.**

Over the years we have helped many clients buy their freehold interest or extend their lease by 90 years. It is impossible to call the top or bottom of the market but we all know property prices have dropped dramatically from their peak. In the last few months most of our offices are reporting prices stabilising, if not increasing.

Consequently, with low interest rates, now may be an opportune time to think about extending your lease or buying your freehold, as the premium is based on the *current* value. As long as your ownership of the property has been registered at the Land Registry for two years and the lease was originally granted for a term in excess of 21 years, you should qualify. If your lease has at least 80 years unexpired then there is no marriage value to pay. Once the remaining term drops below 80 years the premium rises significantly.

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who will be delighted to advise and assist. They will inspect your property and send you a report outlining the procedure and detailing the likely level of the premium. Once you have decided to proceed your solicitor will need to prepare the legal paperwork and serve a statutory Notice upon the Freeholder, the receipt of which sets the valuation date.

Should values fall further you can withdraw, albeit you will be liable for the abortive professional costs of both sides. We are able to advise throughout the process, as good professional advice is essential.

If you would like to know more or you would like to receive our free booklet 'The Guide to Extending your Lease or Buying your Freehold' please contact:

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## NEVILLE STREET, SW7

A wonderful family house situated in the heart of South Kensington close to local amenities. 6 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms, 3 reception rooms, study, utility room, private patio garden. **Unfurnished £4,250 per week**



## PEMBRIDGE VILLAS, W11

An apartment situated in the heart of Notting Hill boasting a swimming pool, gym, conservatory, fabulous garden with pond, garage and off-street parking. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, reception room. **Unfurnished £1,850 per week**



## STANHOPE GARDENS, SW7

A spacious town house in excess of 2,000 sq ft. which benefits from a roof terrace and access to the communal gardens. 4 double bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 reception rooms. **Unfurnished £1,700 per week**



## ROYAL CRESCENT MEWS, W11

Situated in a charming cobbled mews this property benefits from wooden flooring throughout and a west facing patio garden. 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room. **Furnished £1,200 per week**



## CORNWALL GARDENS, SW7

A top floor flat (with lift) presented in immaculate refurbished order; situated in a garden square with fabulous views over roof tops and within close proximity of Gloucester Road. Bedroom, bathroom, reception. **Unfurnished £575 per week**



## PEEL STREET, W8

Charming cottage-style house with a patio garden in this desirable road just off Kensington Church Street, moments from Notting Hill Gate. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room. **Unfurnished £975 per week**

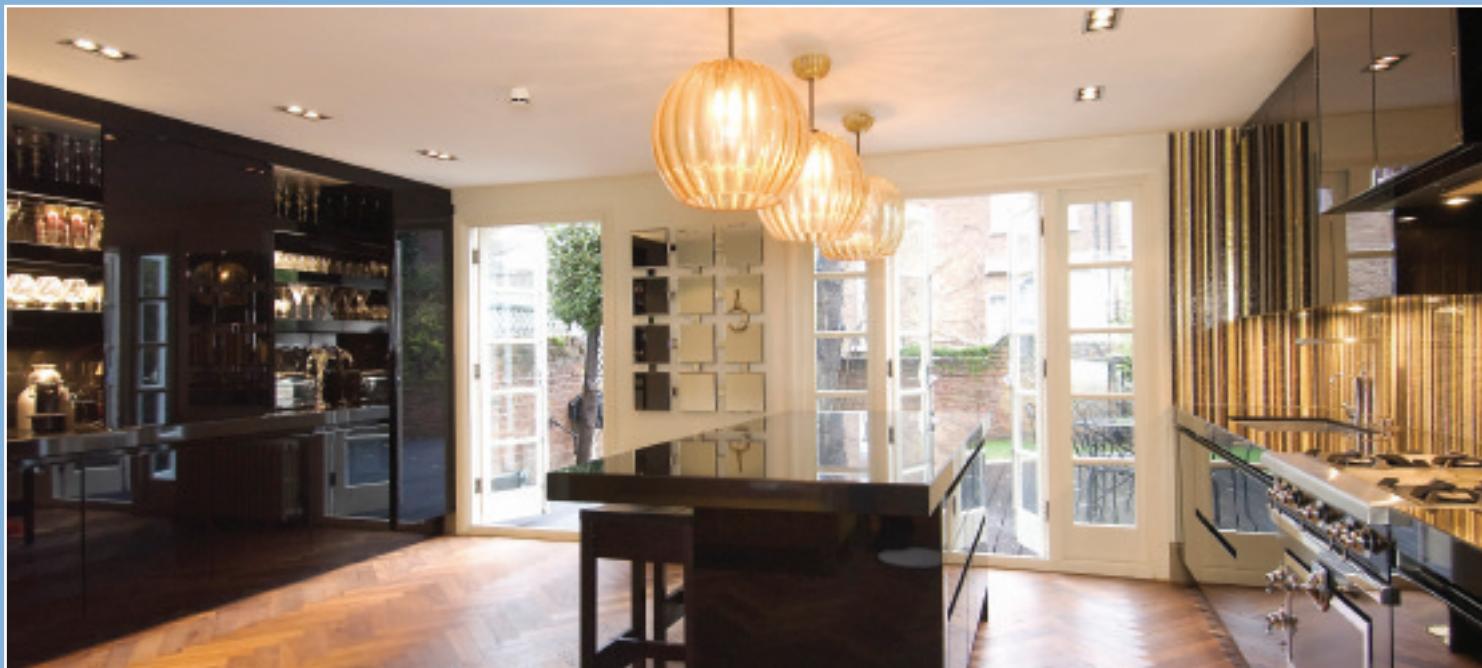
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LONDON SW7

## The Dream

“Entertaining on the grandest scale,  
a stone’s throw from the V&A.”



### The Details

Spectacular Grade II listed family house with garden on a Knightsbridge garden square. Surrounded by world-class shopping, restaurants and schools. German kitchen featuring Gaggenau. 1st floor drawing room. Dining room. 6 bedrooms, 4 with ensuite. Study/media room. Oak floors. Original restored stone staircase. Garden & roof terrace. Full security. 470 sq m. (5,060 sq ft.)

Guide £10 million. Freehold.

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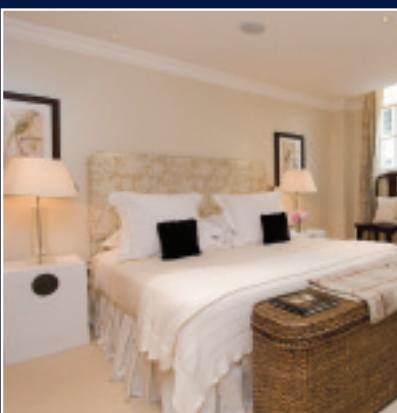
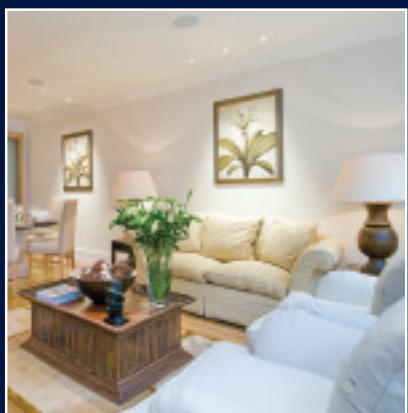
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## The Highlight

“Watching your favourite movie in the cinema/media room and knowing the view in the rest of the house is just as amazing.”



### The Lowdown

Heart of Belgravia mews house in very quiet location next to Eaton Square. Refurbished to extraordinarily high standard. 196 sq m. (2,109 sq ft.)

Guide £3.45 million. Freehold.

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NAPIER AVENUE  
FULHAM SW6

## The Atmosphere

“Your family around you, the sky above, and style everywhere you look.”



### The Attributes

Brilliant family house with clever layout at Fulham's most prestigious address, 200 metres from the world-class Hurlingham Club. 6 bedrooms including 4 children's bedrooms on one floor. Large family kitchen with Aga. West facing garden. 314 sq m. (3,380 sq ft.)

Guide £3.25 million. Freehold.

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## The Feeling

“The sense of wonder the first time  
you see the master bedroom suite.”



### The Features

Elegant family house on the prestigious Peterborough Estate. Tall and wide, superbly presented. Mature garden perfect for al fresco entertaining. Sophisticated decoration. Central staircase. Flexible family space. 294 sq m. (3,175 sq ft.)

Guide £2.85 million. Freehold.

## The Impact

“The to-die-for kitchen, the media room, everything, you simply can’t stop yourself visualising your life in this house.”



### The Info

One of the Peterborough Estate's finest. Meticulously refurbished, elegantly designed. Control 4 media system, under floor heating, air conditioning, Lutron lighting, home cinema with 60" flat screen, surround sound and Blu-ray. 353 sq m. (3,800 sq ft.)

Guide £3.5 million. Freehold.

## The Elegance

**"An immaculate Sunday lunch in the round, followed by Burgundy and banter in the elegant Drawing Room."**



### The Elements

Sensational family house on the Peterborough Estate. Principal entertaining space on one floor. Elegant decoration. Private secluded landscaped garden. Exquisitely fitted kitchen. High quality oak flooring. 271 sq m. (2,923 sq ft.)  
Guide £2.75 million. Freehold.

ACFOLD ROAD  
FULHAM SW6

## The Perfection

"A Fulham evening of fine cuisine and laughter, spilling out from the elegant family room into the garden."



### The Particulars

Fabulous 'Lion House' with much period detail and sympathetic restoration. Family room leads direct to larger than average garden. 6 bedrooms. Off street parking. For the buyer looking for something a little different. 312 sq m. (3,369 sq ft.)

Guide £2.75 million. Freehold.

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## The Reaction

“To me this is a Chelsea house only on a larger scale, stylish and chic.”



### The Reality

Immaculate period house with original features complemented by contemporary kitchen. Superb Chelsea borders location. Great sense of light and space. Use of natural floor coverings. South facing garden. Under floor heating. 261 sq m. (2,820 sq ft.)

Guide £2.4 million. Freehold.

PELHAM CRESCENT  
SOUTH KENSINGTON SW7

## The Fantasy

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**"A trophy home in one of South Kensington's architectural gems."**



### The Facts

Extremely well maintained 4 bedroom house. Newly decorated and carpeted. Stucco frontage. Elegant 1st floor drawing room with fine garden views. Comfort cooling throughout.  
288 sq m. (3,100 sq ft.)

Guide £4,500 per week. Unfurnished.

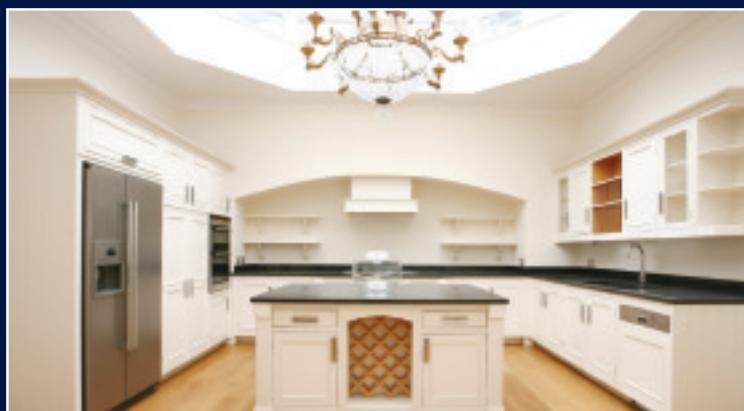
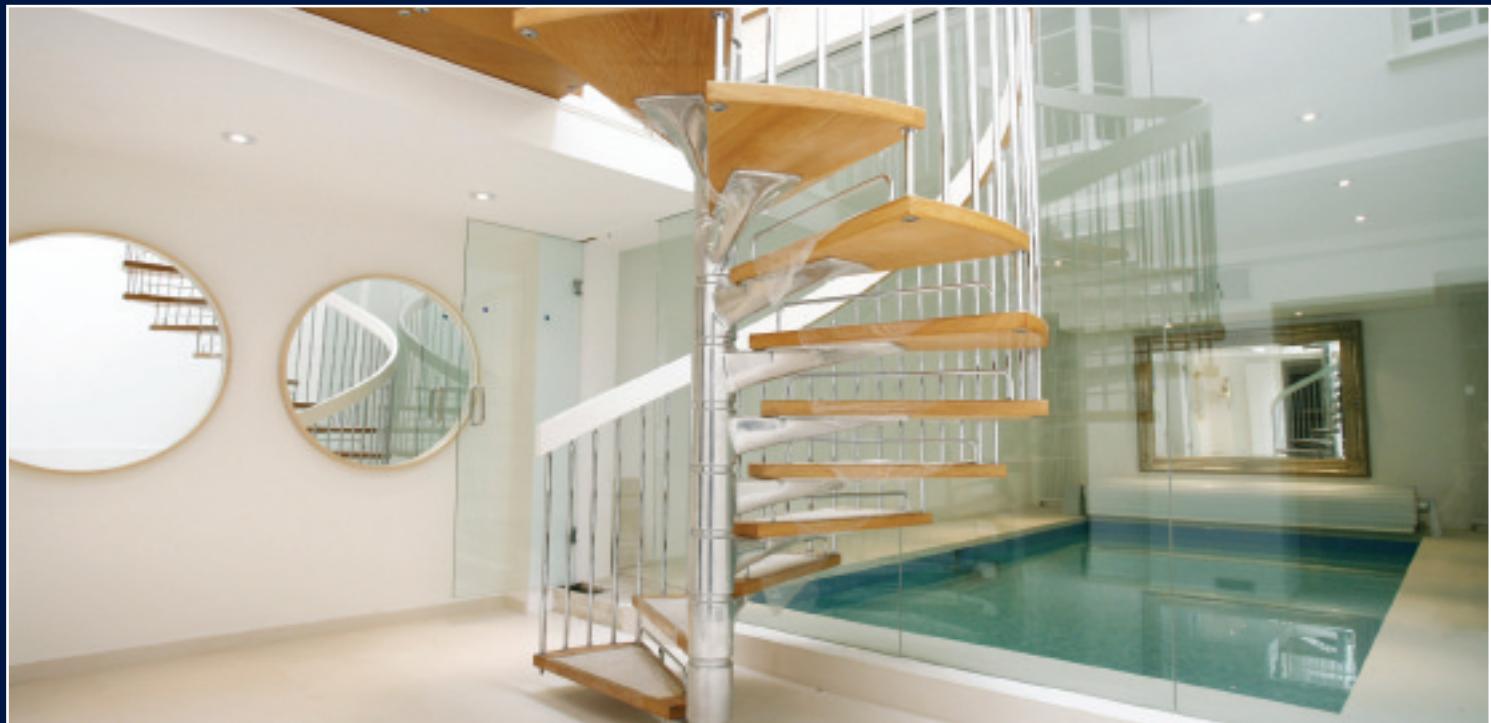
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## The Spectacle

"A stairway to heaven, but everything about this house is divine."



### The Specs

Impressive family home in the heart of Belgravia, near Hyde Park. Roof terrace, swimming pool and sauna. Staff accommodation. 419 sq m. (4,510 sq ft.)

Guide £6,950 per week. Unfurnished.



**▲ Linden Gardens, W2  
Flexible furnishings  
£795 per week**

**WHAT:** An original two-bedroom Victorian summer house.

**WOW FACTOR:** Its unique octagonal reception room designed by architect Alex Michaelis.

**EXTRAS:** The private roof terrace.

**DETAILS:** Savills, 020 7535 3333



**▲ Sydney Place, SW7  
POA, freehold**

**WHAT:** An immaculate Grade-II listed town house.

**WOW FACTOR:** The luxurious living room is perfect for relaxing or entertaining.

**EXTRAS:** Underfloor heating in the kitchen and air-conditioning in all the bedrooms.

**DETAILS:** Savills, 020 7730 0822

# stop press

by Marina Kolobova

**▼ Ralston Street, SW3  
£2.5m, leasehold plus  
freehold share**

**WHAT:** A three-bedroom flat right at the heart of Chelsea.

**WOW FACTOR:** The apartment boasts two reception rooms and three double bedrooms so there is plenty of space.

**EXTRAS:** It also has a patio.

**DETAILS:** Savills, 020 7581 5234



## On yer bike

Savills is organising a bike ride in aid of Honeypot, a charity which provides care and support for vulnerable children.

The bike ride, which will pass through central London, Northwood, Rickmansworth, Amersham and Beaconsfield, will take place on 13 September. 100 Savills employees will be participating in the 62-mile challenge including Matthew Hobbs, head of Savills Kensington lettings and Lindsay Cuthill, head of Savills south west London.



## ▲ In demand

Within its very first week of marketing, one family home on Broughton Road marketed by the Fulham office of Savills attracted three separate parties, all who bid well above the guide price of £850,000. Emma Stead, head of Savills Fulham, comments: "In the current market, where we are seeing a high level of demand in conjunction with a significant shortage of good quality family houses, we are seeing a return of competitive bidding which, ultimately, leads to achieving the best possible price for our clients. Whilst we remain cautiously optimistic about the autumn market, if both demand and supply stay at the same levels, the Fulham market should remain relatively buoyant."



**▲ Cornwall Gardens, SW7  
£4.25m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A beautifully presented four bedroom house in excellent condition.

**WOW FACTOR:** The house has recently been refurbished to the highest of standards using top of the range materials and fittings.

**EXTRAS:** The roof terrace and integral garage, which is quietly situated just south of Kensington Gardens.

**DETAILS:** Knight Frank, 020 7938 4311



**▲ Hans Place, SW3  
£3.25m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A wonderful lateral duplex apartment a stone's throw from Harrods.

**WOW FACTOR:** The large glass elevator provides direct access to the flat.

**EXTRAS:** There is a roof terrace overlooking the garden of this famous square.

**DETAILS:** Knight Frank  
020 7591 8600

# stop press

by Christina Farr



**▲ Stanhope Gardens, SW7  
£1.2m, leasehold**

**WHAT:** A ground floor two double-bedroom maisonette in an excellent porteried building.

**WOW FACTOR:** The charming central Japanese-style courtyard.

**EXTRAS:** The property has its own parking space and street entrance

**DETAILS:** Knight Frank  
020 7349 4300



**▼ Rivermead Court, SW6  
£1.45m, leasehold**

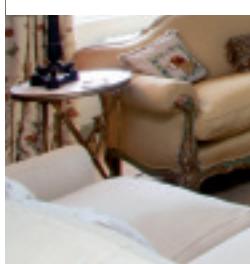
**WHAT:** An immaculately presented three-bedroom fifth-floor apartment.

**WOW FACTOR:**

The property has been featured in '25 Beautiful Homes' magazine.

**EXTRAS:** It has recently undergone extensive renovations

**DETAILS:** Knight Frank  
020 7751 2400



**Market comment:**

**James Pace of  
Knight Frank,  
Chelsea**

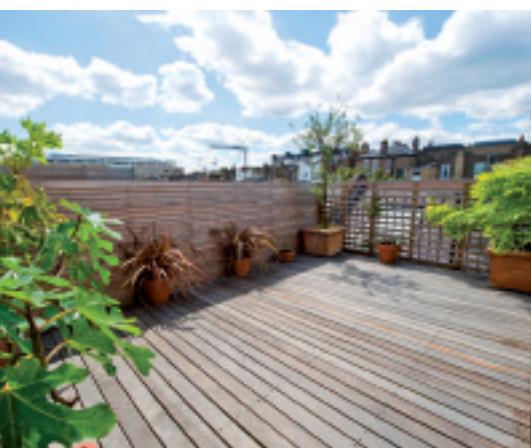


I think that everyone who works in the central London property market would agree that it has changed considerably over the past few months.

From the depths of despair at the end of last year we have seen a return to gazumping and sealed bids and even in isolated cases, some peak prices. Over the past three months our Chelsea, Knightsbridge and Belgravia offices have sold a total of over £320m of property and on average the number of sales that we have put through is up by approximately 50 per cent year on year. However, it is important to point out that we feel that part of our success is due to advising our clients that asking prices should be sensible and not over inflated. As time has gone on, the stock remaining that is available has dwindled and going into the autumn, our main problem will undoubtedly be the lack of choice for buyers. Whilst on the one hand this may drive prices up, it could on the other hand put buyers off looking so may become counter-productive. Right now though, there is still a healthy appetite for good, correctly priced property from a number of cash rich buyers but if the supply doesn't improve, we may look back at this time as one of the best opportunities in which to get a good price.

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## Seymour Walk, Chelsea SW10

Spacious house with terrace

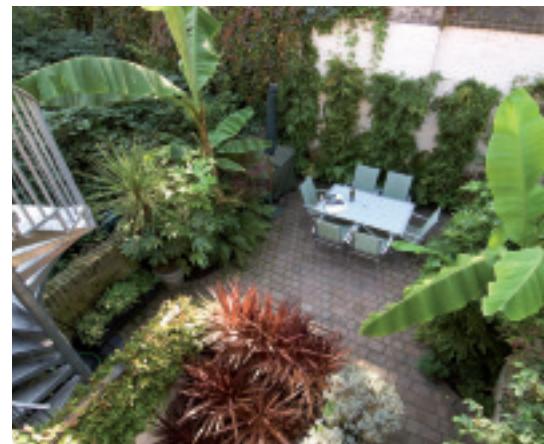
This is a beautifully presented house that has wide proportions, with excellent living space and a good flow of accommodation. Master bedroom with shower room en suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, reception room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, patio, terrace. Approximately 195sq.m (2,101sq.ft).

Freehold

**£2,300,000**

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**020 7349 4300**

**JSA Russell Simpson**  
**020 7225 0277**



## Ifield Road, Chelsea SW10

Fantastic garden and terraces

This stunning house boasts fabulous south-west facing terraces and a garden and is probably the largest on the street. Master bedroom with dressing room and bathroom en suite, 4 further bedrooms (1 en suite), bathroom, first floor reception room, kitchen/sitting room, dining room, reception room, dining hall, cloakroom, 23ft garden, 2 terraces. Approximately 294sq.m (3,166sq.ft).

Freehold

£2,450,000

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## Elm Park Gardens, Chelsea SW10

Stunning penthouse with terrace

Having been completely refurbished by the current owner, this is a stunning penthouse with a 26ft west-facing roof terrace. Master bedroom with shower room en suite, 2 further bedrooms, bathroom, reception room, kitchen/dining room, cloakroom, terrace, lift. Approximately 152sq.m (1,643sq.ft).

Leasehold approximately 67 years remaining

**£1,695,000**

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## Sheffield Terrace, Kensington W8

Excellent stucco fronted family house

The house is non-basement, arranged over only 4 floors and is conveniently situated off Kensington Church Street, between Kensington High Street and Notting Hill Gate. 5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, reception room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study/bedroom 6, cloakroom, garden, roof terrace. Approximately 253sq.m (2,732sq.ft).

Freehold

Guide price: £3,850,000

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## Chipstead Street, Fulham SW6

Ticks all the boxes!

A ‘long back’ Nichols Lion house located in one of the most sought after streets on the Peterborough Estate and benefitting from a superb extended kitchen/dining room. Master bedroom with en suite bathroom and dressing room, 3 further bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, double reception room, kitchen/dining room, family room, utility room, west-facing private garden. Approximately 244sq.m (2,628sq.ft).

Freehold

Guide price: £1,995,000

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## Waldemar Avenue, Fulham SW6

Four storey elegance

A superb house which has recently undergone complete refurbishment to the very highest of standards and which is located in a tree-lined street off Fulham Road. Master bedroom with en suite bath/shower room, 4 further bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, double reception room, kitchen/dining room, family room, study/bedroom 4, garden. Approximately 194sq.m (2,088sq.ft).

Freehold

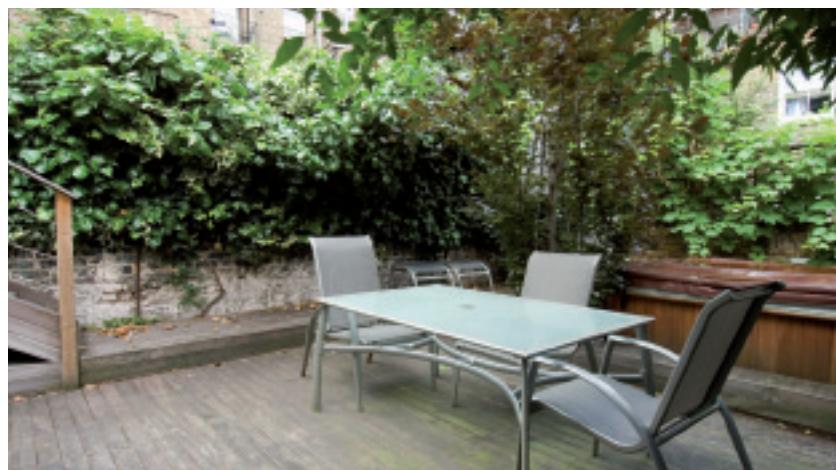
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## Oakfield Street, Chelsea SW10

Bright and spacious maisonette

A beautifully presented four bedroom maisonette covering the raised ground floor of a Victorian House. Master bedroom with en suite, 2 further double bedrooms, bedroom 4/study room, 2 bathrooms, double reception room, kitchen, split level garden with hot tub. Approximately 170sq.m (1,832sq.ft).

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## Kings Road, SW3

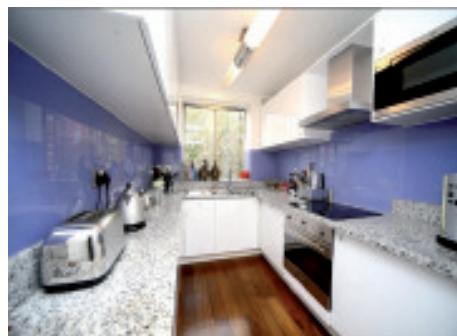
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refurbished flat near Sloane Square in Chelsea

£740,000 Leasehold

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Modern finish

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## Beatrix House, SW5

Two bedroom modernised flat with  
parking in South Kensington

£650,000 Leasehold

- Two bedroom
- Modern bathroom
- Lift

- Secure underground parking
- Third floor
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### Barkston Gardens, SW5

Three bedroom red brick Victorian conversion overlooking communal gardens in Earls Court

£1,349,000 Share of freehold

- Three bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Two balconies

- Share of freehold
- First floor
- Earls Court Underground

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### Elm Park Gardens, SW10

Two bedroom flat with a balcony over communal gardens in Chelsea

£595,000 Leasehold

- Two bedrooms
- Purpose built
- Separate kitchen

- Second floor with lift
- Ideal buy to let
- South Kensington Underground

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### Cromwell Crescent, SW5

Two bedroom, two bathroom flat with private garden in Kensington

£525,000 Leasehold

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Modern finish

- Private garden
- Lower ground floor
- Earls Court Underground

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## Redcliffe Gardens, SW10

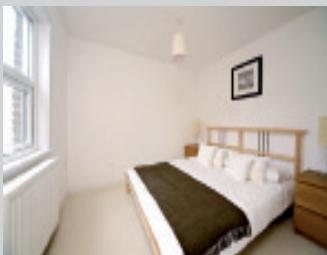
Two bedroom top floor flat with modernisation potential

£425,000 Leasehold

- Two bedrooms
- Stucco fronted building
- Flooded with natural light

- Split level
- Ideal investment
- Earls Court & West Brompton Underground

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## Bramber Road, W14

Two bedroom refurbished flat in converted Victorian house just off North End Road

£299,950 Leasehold

- Two bedrooms
- Modern finish
- Recently refurbished

- New lease
- Second floor
- West Brompton & West Kensington Underground

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## Eardley Crescent, SW5

One bedroom first floor flat with balcony within Victorian conversion in Earls Court

£299,950 Leasehold

- One bedroom
- Living room with high ceiling
- Private balcony off bedroom

- Communal garden
- First floor
- West Brompton Underground

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### Imperial Wharf, SW6

Three double bedroom riverside apartment  
with private balconies in Fulham

£995 p/w Unfurnished

- Three double bedrooms
- Two living rooms
- Two private south facing balconies

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- Fourth floor (with lift)
- Three bathrooms (two en-suite)
- Fulham Broadway Underground



### Bramham Gardens, SW5

Two double bedroom flat with private roof  
terrace between Earls Court & Gloucester Road

£995 p/w Furnished/Unfurnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Wood floors

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- Private roof terrace
- Third floor of conversion
- Earls Court Underground

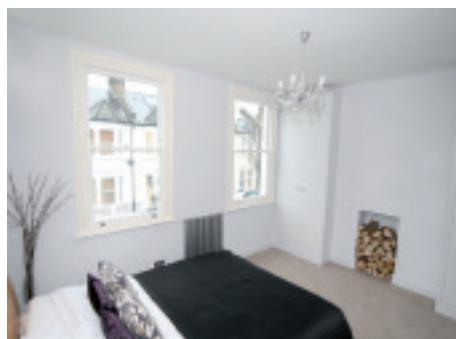
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## Ewald Road, SW6

Newly refurbished four double bedroom house with a private garden in Fulham

£800 p/w Furnished

- Four double bedrooms
- Double reception room
- Separate kitchen and dining area

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- Large private decked garden
- Arranged over three floors
- Putney Bridge Underground



## Harcourt Terrace, SW10

Three bedroom flat with a private terrace in Chelsea

£650 p/w Furnished

- Three bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Wood floors

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- Private terrace
- Fourth floor
- Earls Court Underground

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### Cadogan Lane, SW1X

Four bedroom family house with private garden in Belgravia

£2,500 p/w Furnished/Unfurnished

- Four bedrooms
- Large kitchen with dining area
- Three bathrooms

- Arranged over three floors
- Private garden
- Knightsbridge Underground

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### Queens Gate Terrace, SW7

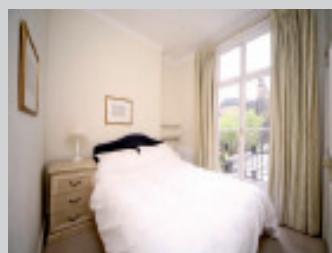
Two double bedroom, two bathroom flat with a private patio close to Kensington Gardens

£650 p/w Furnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Wood floors

- Lower ground floor
- Private patio
- Gloucester Road Underground

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### Ovington Square, SW3

First floor one double bedroom flat with private roof terrace in Knightsbridge

£595 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- First floor of conversion
- Wood floors

- Private terrace
- Open plan kitchen with granite work tops
- Knightsbridge Underground

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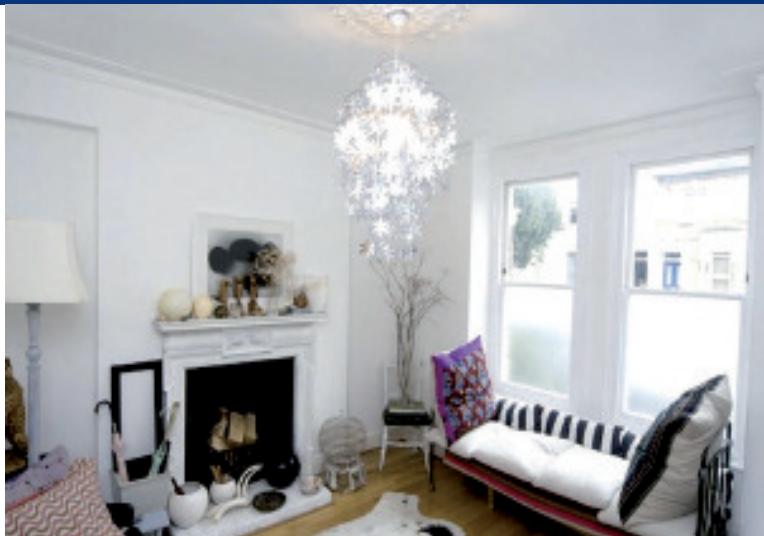
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# Chard



## Reporton Road, SW6

Three double bedroom Victorian house  
with a private garden in Munster Village

£550p/w Furnished/Unfurnished

- Three double bedrooms
- Living room with wood floors
- Open plan kitchen

- Arranged over three floors
- South facing private garden
- Parsons Green Underground

Fulham lettings 020 7384 1400



## Earls Court Road, W8

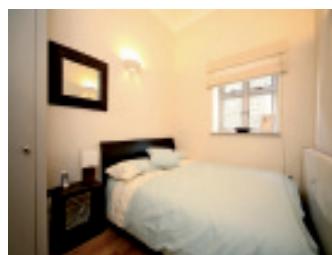
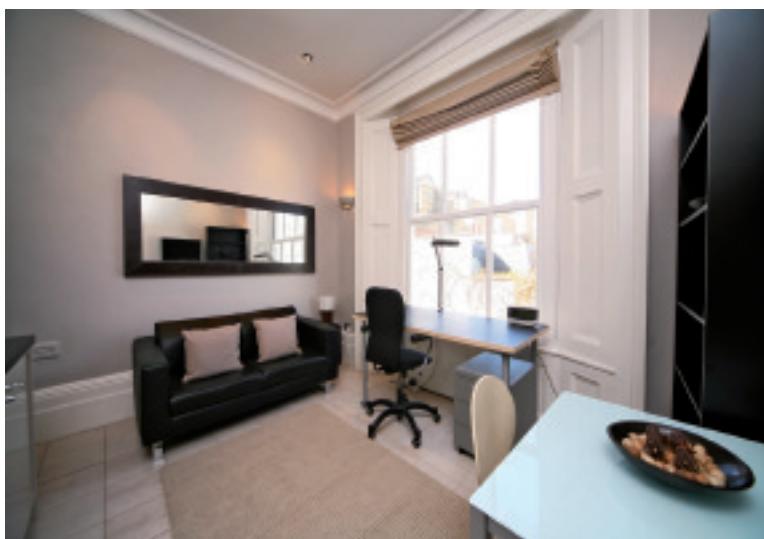
Two double bedroom, two bathroom flat  
with a private garden in Earls Court

£495p/w Furnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Wood floors

- Open plan kitchen
- Private patio
- Earls Court Underground

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## Queens Gate SW7

Refurbished one double bedroom flat  
close to Gloucester Road

£395 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- Stylishly furnished living room
- Open plan kitchen

- Limestone tiled bathroom
- First floor of conversion
- Gloucester Road Underground

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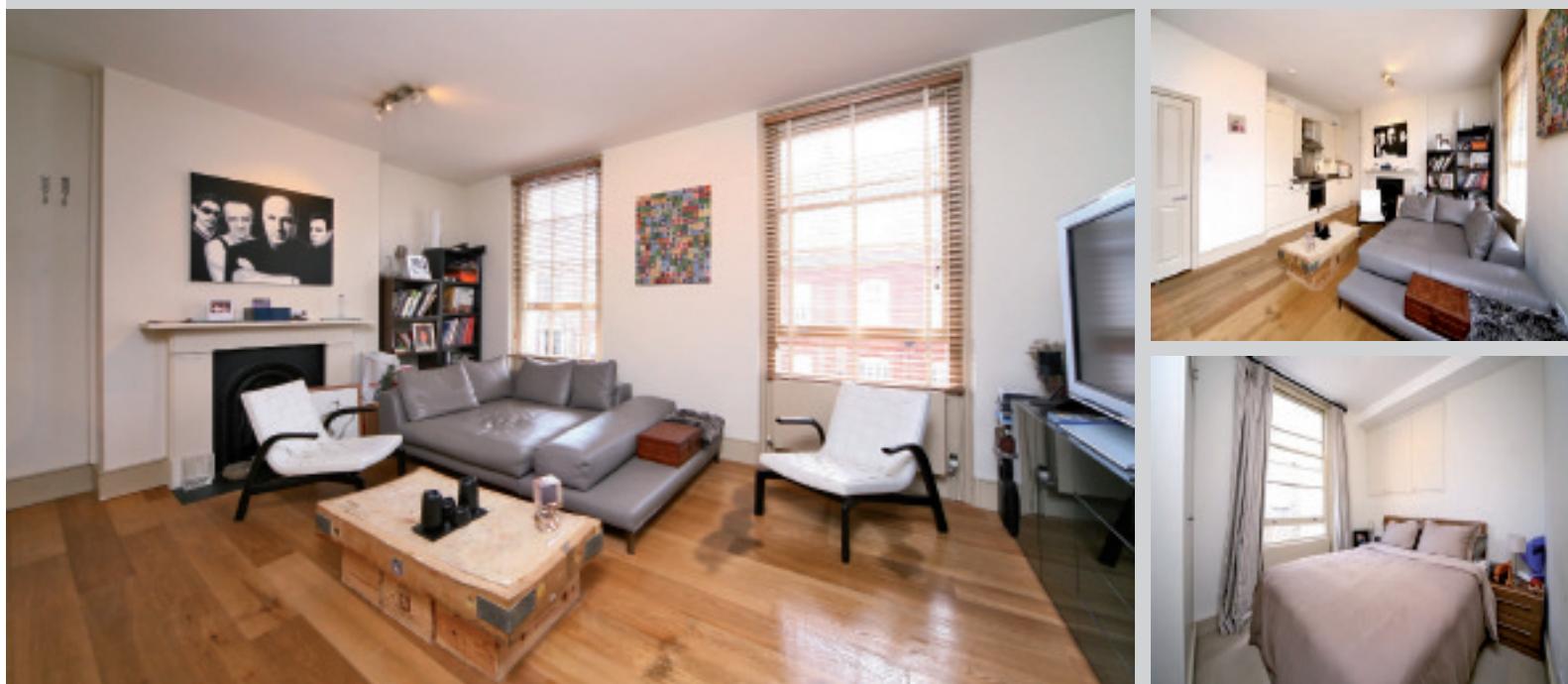
Two double bedroom riverside apartment with a south facing private balcony in Fulham

£495 p/w Unfurnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Living room with a private balcony
- Separate kitchen

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- First floor
- Two bathrooms
- Parsons Green Underground



## Old Brompton Road, SW5

Contemporary one double bedroom flat in South Kensington

£385 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- Wood floors
- Bedroom with fitted wardrobes

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- Open plan kitchen
- Second floor of conversion
- Gloucester Road Underground

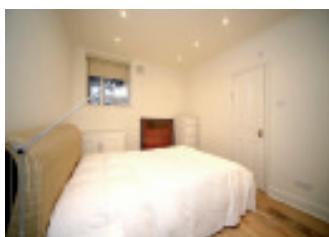
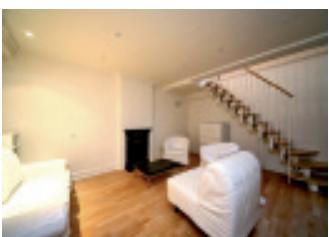
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## Chapter Street, SW1P

Large two double bedroom, two bathroom maisonette close to Victoria

£380 p/w Furnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Wood floors
- Kitchen and dining room

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- Ground and Lower ground floors
- Two bathrooms
- Pimlico Underground

## Ifield Road, SW10

Raised ground floor one double bedroom flat in Chelsea

£340 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- High ceilings
- Separate kitchen

- Wood floors
- Raised ground floor
- Earls Court Underground

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## Fulham Road, SW6

Recently refurbished one double bedroom flat in Parsons Green

£325 p/w Furnished

- One large double bedroom
- Spacious living room with a dining area
- Separate kitchen
- Large bathroom
- First floor of Victorian conversion
- Parsons Green Underground

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## St Olafs Road, SW6

Refurbished one double bedroom flat in Munster Village

£300 p/w Furnished/Unfurnished

- One double bedroom
- Living room with a feature fireplace
- Separate kitchen and dining area
- Modern bathroom
- First floor of Victorian conversion
- Parsons Green Underground

Fulham lettings 020 7384 1400

## Earls Court Square, SW5

Studio flat on a communal garden square in Earls Court

£265 p/w Furnished

- Studio flat
- Living area with space for dining
- Separate kitchen
- Top floor of conversion
- Communal gardens access
- Earls Court Underground

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# Winkworth



## Ovington Square, SW3 £8,500,000 STC Freehold

Originally constructed in 1844, this stunning end-of-terrace stucco house offers versatile accommodation over four floors. There is potential to increase the internal space via the excavation of a sub-level and the addition of a further storey (subject to the usual consents). Unusually, there is an integral private garage accessed from Walton Street and two secluded private balconies with feature wrought iron Victorian canopies.

Accommodation briefly comprises three reception rooms, media room, kitchen, spa including whirlpool, garage/gym, utility room, master bedroom suite, five further bedrooms, two family bathrooms, vault storage and qualification for RBKC parking permits.



Over 80 Winkworth offices independently owned and operated



► **Upper Grosvenor Street, W1  
£6.95m, share of freehold**

**WHAT:** A three-bedroom triplex in an excellent location.

**WOW FACTOR:** This property comes complete with designer bathrooms, a Boffi kitchen and comfort cooling.

**EXTRAS:** A patio garden and terrace leading off the study.

**DETAILS:** Marsh & Parsons  
020 7963 8097



▲ **47 Park Street, W1  
Membership ranges from  
£111,000 to £260,000**

**WHAT:** An exclusive residential members' club housed in a red-brick Edwardian-style town house with 49 spacious and elegant residences, each furnished in neo-classical and Regency styles. The club offers fractional ownership providing a cost effective alternative of having a secure, permanent residence with the discretion and service of a luxury boutique hotel.

**WOW FACTOR:** Each residence is a self-contained home that can be personalised to meet each member's needs. A concierge will take care of any requests and members can arrive to find clothes ready pressed and family photographs on the mantelpiece.

**EXTRAS:** Membership includes exclusive access to a range of private members' clubs and gyms. 47 Park Street also has its own entrance to the adjoining two Michelin-star

Le Gavroche restaurant.

**DETAILS:** Marriott, 020 7950 5528

# stop press mayfair

**Market comment: Peter Young  
of John D Wood**

One thing that has remained constant in a fluctuating market is the importance of quoting the right guide price and that all prospective purchasers without exception are very well informed. We are a relatively small office supported by three large offices based in Kensington and Chelsea. Consequently, we balance a highly personal and professional service with a well regarded and established brand. Although we are JDW's 'Belgravia' office, we continuously seek property to sell in the surrounding districts of Westminster, St James', Knightsbridge SW1, Whitehall, Mayfair and Pimlico at every level of the market. We have sold every property we have had instructions to sell in Mayfair so if you would like to meet estate agents with the confidence to give you the right advice please do not hesitate to contact us.

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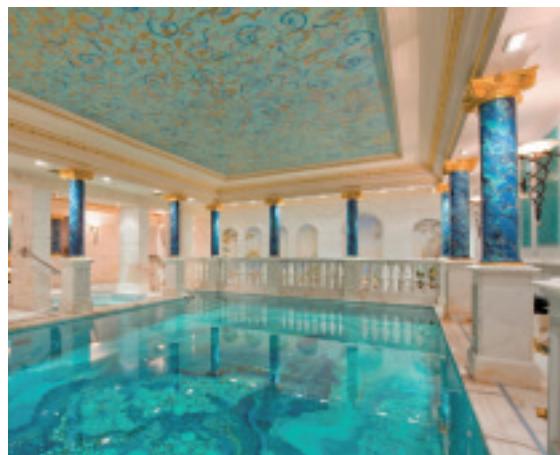
▲ **Grosvenor Square, W1  
£6m, leasehold**

**WHAT:** A substantial lateral apartment in a prominent position.

**WOW FACTOR:** The impressive high ceilings of the reception room.

**EXTRAS:** The square, of course.

**DETAILS:** Beauchamp Estates  
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▲ **One of London's finest  
private houses  
Available to rent**

**WHAT:** A luxury 30,000sqft house in central London

**WOW FACTOR:** The majestic ballroom

**EXTRAS:** With a swimming pool complex, a private car park and separate staff accommodation this is one of the most exclusive places to live in the city.

**DETAILS:** Strutt & Parker, 020 7235 9959

# Mayfair lettings directory

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**Head of Lettings:** Sophie McCarter

**Head of Sales:** Charlie Willis

**Company Profile:** Operations are now controlled from our headquarter offices based in Hill Street, off Berkeley Square; serving our London residential, rural and commercial divisions with over 725 personnel in the UK and Middle East.

**Typical Property:** Prime Mayfair, Knightsbridge and Belgravia, Westminster and all RBK&C flats and houses. Quality properties of all types ranging from £400p/w to £40,000p/w

**Tips to Tenant:** Competition is still high for the best properties, so if you find 'the one' be decisive and don't dither.

**Tips to Landlord:** In this highly competitive market listen to your agent's advice. Smart landlords realise that a longer void period or a bad tenant can often be far more costly than a 10% decrease in rent. But it's all about presentation, price and the performance of your agent.

**Market Comment:** Since the start of this financial year we have seen a 70% increase in the number of tenancies across our central London letting offices. The second quarter is moving with further growth and we are seeing an upsurge in the number of Russian and Middle Eastern tenants as well as the return of the corporate international tenants.

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## SAVILLS

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**Company Profile:** Savills is a leading international real estate adviser listed on the London Stock Exchange. Established in 1855, Savills has a rich heritage with unrivalled growth and now has 200 offices and

associates throughout the Americas, Europe, Asia Pacific, Africa and Middle East.

**Typical Property:** Smart, newly refurbished from £500 to £20,000 a week in prime locations.

**Tips to Tenant:** Choose an ARLA licensed agent. Move fast because the market has turned and there is less available property.

**Tips to Landlord:** Choose an ARLA licensed agent.

Ensure the property shows to its best and is at the right price.

**Market Comment:** Due to a more buoyant sales market which has resulted in reduced lettings stock and fewer instructions coming to the market. This should mean that rents will stabilise over the coming months.

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## MARSH & PARSONS

**Head of Lettings:** Claire de Wolff

**Head of Sales:** Guy Major

**Company Profile:** We are an independent and professional firm with a positive 'can-do' attitude covering all aspects of residential property. We are very much aware that we are judged on the level of our service and are committed to offering a first class service. Our aim is to continue establishing individual relationships with our clients through a business which is built on energy, agility, professionalism and knowledge.

**Typical Property:** We have a diverse portfolio of available property starting with contemporary one bedroom apartments from £450pw, a selection of two bedrooms, as well as stunning apartments and houses from £1,500pw. The properties that we have available attract both private individuals and a number of corporations based locally in Mayfair.

**Tips to Tenant:** Make a swift decision – if you see a property that fits your requirements by 70-80% grab it with both hands, it is likely to be the best you will see and if you wait, the property is unlikely to wait for you! Be prepared. The rental market moves fast; much faster than sales. You will always require references and so prepare your referees.

**Tips to Landlord:** Given the competitive rental market at present it is more important for landlords to 'stand out from the crowd' in order to achieve the best prices. With this in mind, it is imperative to choose and work with a proactive agent to ensure the property is effectively marketed at an accurate price. Presentation is key – using stylish, good quality furniture, ensuring the property is clean and if necessary undertaking a cosmetic refurbishment.

**Market Comment:** The year so far has been less than predictable with rental prices altering considerably. In the first quarter of 2009 prices achieved were down between 5-30% on the same months in 2008.

This change was largely due an oversupply of available rental property as a result of the challenging sales market. I am pleased that we are now experiencing a slightly more balanced rental market. As confidence returns to the sales market, the rate at which properties are coming onto the rental market is slowing, however the demand for properties remains high; as a result prices have stabilised. Rents will take time to recover, however, the market is positive and properties that are appropriately priced are renting quickly.

Claire de Wolff

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## JACKSON-STOPS & STAFF

**Head of Lettings:** Mr Adrian Mason

**Head of Sales:** Mr Adrian Mason

**Company Profile:** Jackson Stops & Staff were established nearly 100 years ago (1910) and first opened a Mayfair office on Curzon Street in the 1930s. Today we have over 40 offices across the country and offer a complete range of residential, commercial and professional services. With 12 prominent offices across London, we offer sound advice based on local knowledge and aim to provide clients with a truly exceptional level of service.

**Typical Property:** We offer everything from the pié-d-à-terre for the



all-hours businessmen to the large, grand house for a family. High quality is fundamental across the board with the perfect property for any applicant.

**Tips to Tenant:** Prices have come down a lot already, so don't expect to get big reductions on current list prices. Having said that, there are definitely bargains to be secured so it's an excellent time to get a good property at a good price.

**Tips to Landlord:** Pragmatism and flexibility are vital in finding a tenant. Be prepared to respond to the requirements of a prospective tenant in a time when they have a lot of choice to maximise the appeal of your particular property. Making sure you are realistic on the price is important, too – nobody likes void periods, so it's better to be realistic to get the property tenanted rather than holding out for an unachievable price.

**Market Comment:** Business has definitely been picking up this year, though it quietened down during the holiday season. More turnover and new tenancies have been evident and increasing, and we expect this to continue into the traditionally busier time immediately after the summer holidays.

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#### FOXTONS

**Head of Lettings:** Ian Wright

**Head of Sales:** Chris Sellwood

**Company Profile:** Foxtons has established itself as a leading estate agent across London and Surrey over the last 28 years. We are known for our proactive approach to the property market, longer opening hours and comprehensive marketing.

**Typical Property:** We cover a broad spectrum of properties, varying in size, style and price within different areas such as Mayfair, Marylebone, the West End and Hyde Park Estate.

**Tips to Tenant:** Be prepared with your references and finances, so you can make an offer and move quickly, especially in this fast-paced market.

**Tips to Landlord:** Always try to remember the objective of an investment property is the long term capital gain not necessarily the weekly rent.

**Market Comment:** We have a high level of tenants – we register nearly 300 a week at our Park Lane office and with a wide selection of properties we are experiencing a strong and competitive market.

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#### DTZ

**Residential Agency Director (Sales and Rentals):** Regina Poon-Loo

**Company Profile:** DTZ is one of the 'big four' global real estate advisers operating across Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), Asia Pacific and the Americas. With a team of more than 10,000 property professionals and a system operating across 148 cities in 43 countries

**Typical Property:** A furnished one bedroom apartment with 24 hour portage at £495 per week or a furnished two bedroom mews apartment at £1,200 per week or an immaculate unfurnished four bedroom period house in a secure gated street at £5,000 per week.



**Tips to Tenant:** Have all your personal, current landlord and financial references ready and in order for landlord's review and approval to ensure that you secure the property of your choice.

**Tips to Landlord:** Arrange for an EPC (Energy Performance Certificate) to be carried out immediately, as new regulations stipulate that a rental property cannot be marketed for rental until EPC is issued. Ensure that the property is presented in good decorative and tidy order. Be realistic about the achieved rent, better to accept a slight lower rent for quick occupation than have a property vacant for months on end. Provide added extras to attract a tenant to your property, include a flat screen TV, DVD/CD player, a weekly cleaner, or council tax in the rent.

**Market Comment:** Corporate demand for rental accommodation has softened in the last six months reflecting the current economic climate. There are increasing numbers of properties coming on to the market, as owners unable to sell at their desire prices opt to let their properties in the short term until prices stabilise and they achieve their expected sale price

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#### KNIGHT FRANK

**Head of Lettings:** Laura Selley

**Head of Sales:** Richard Cutt

**Company Profile:**

Knight Frank is the world's largest privately owned global property agency and consultancy and as such has a network of 196 offices in 38 countries. The wealth of expertise on offer means that the company represents the highest standards of quality and integrity.

**Typical Property:** A wide range of properties from good quality one bedroom 'pièd-à-terre' flats to large family and 'trophy' houses in Mayfair and St James's.

**Tips to Tenant:** It is a good time to rent in Mayfair, particularly as rents have dropped substantially over the last year. Be sensible with your offer, however, landlords are now much more realistic with their asking rents and properties are priced in accordance with the market. If your offer is too low, you risk losing the property to a more sensible applicant.

**Tips to Landlord:** It is vital that a property is presented in immaculate condition in this market. With the increased volume of stock, you need to make your property stand out from the competition. Tenants expectations are high so the key is to be flexible with any requests and realistic with the level of rent you are prepared to accept. It may benefit you in the long run to accept a lower rent than risk the property sitting empty.

**Market Comment:** The lettings market has definitely picked up with a record number of move-ins in July. We have started to see multiple offers coming in on some properties, resulting in us achieving asking price on a large percentage of rentals. Although stock levels are still high, the increase in demand and the recent upturn in the sales market has meant that there has been a drop in the number of new properties coming onto the market for rent, resulting in rental prices levelling out.

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Price Guide £1,395,000 FH

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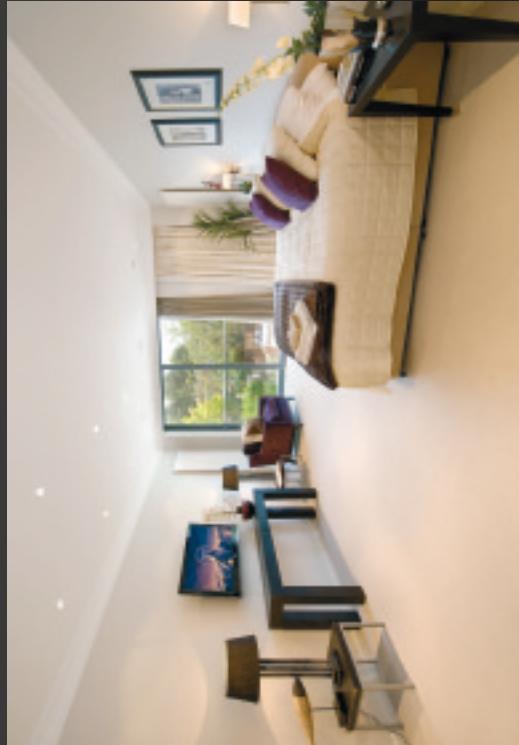
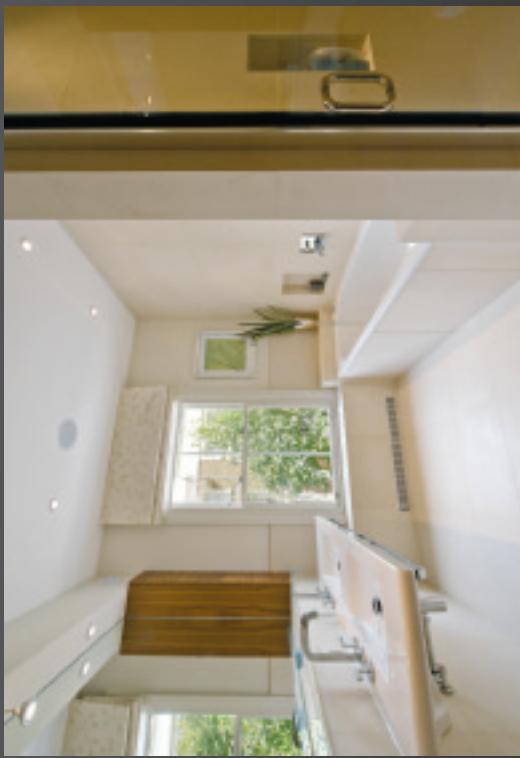
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Price Guide £2,800,000 FH

Joint Sole Agents

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**Freehold £5,400,000 STC**

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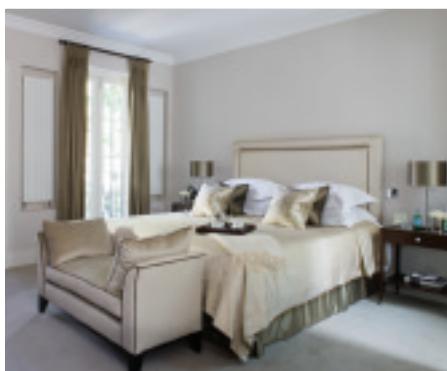
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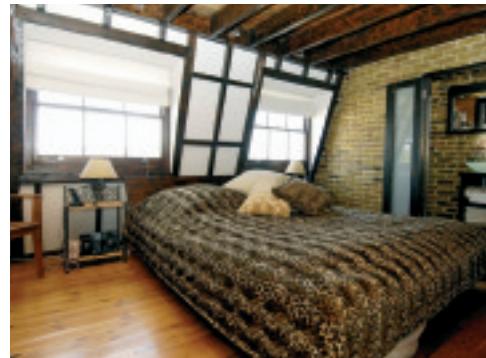
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**£1,500,000**

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## EATON GATE BELGRAVIA SW1

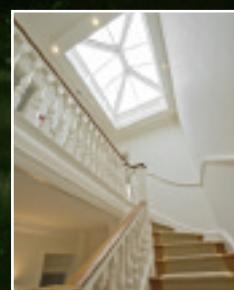
A superbly presented three double bedroom third and fourth floor maisonette (with direct lift access) situated in this stunning building perfectly placed between Eaton and Sloane Square. The maisonette is situated on the top two floors of the building, enjoys direct lift access, and unusually, is one of only three flats in this substantial building. The flat has a lovely quiet southerly aspect overlooking Minerva Mews and is well placed for all the excellent shopping and transport facilities that Sloane Street, Elizabeth Street and the King's Road have to offer. (Approx 1,674 sq ft / 155.51 sq m)

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Leasehold

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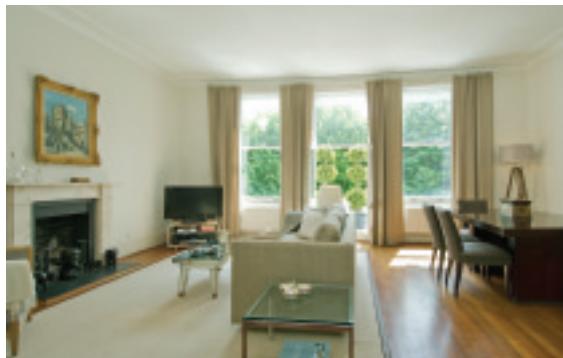
£475,000 STC

Leasehold

Approx:  
536 sq ft/  
49.79 sq m.

### IFIELD ROAD, SW10

A lovely 1 bedroom flat with a private patio in good condition. The flat is situated on Ifield Road close to the amenities of the Fulham Road and walking distance from Earls Court tube.



£1,050,000 STC

Share of  
Freehold

Approx:  
1,066 sq ft/  
99.03 sq m.

### IFIELD ROAD, SW10

A well presented two bedroom ground and first floor maisonette situated in a period converted house offering a very pretty west facing reception room with fireplace.

£1,250,000 STC

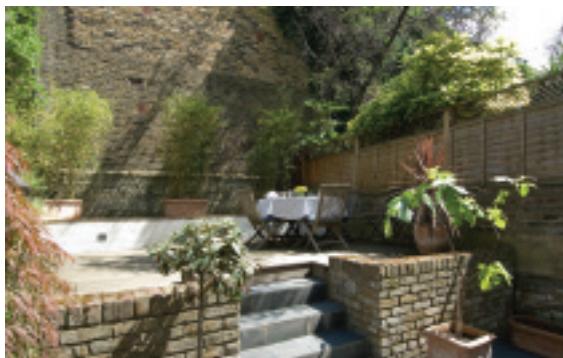
Leasehold

Approx:  
1,464 sq ft/  
136.01 sq m.



### REDCLIFFE SQUARE, SW10

Situated at second floor level, this is a stunning two double bedroom flat that enjoys a wonderful south facing reception room with direct access via French doors on to a good balcony. The master bedroom enjoys excellent proportions and again has access to a west facing balcony.



£680,000 STC

Leasehold

Approx:  
771 sq ft/  
71.63 sq m.

### BRECHIN PLACE, SW5

Requiring total modernisation, this potentially three bedroom ground and lower ground floor maisonette offers an incoming buyer a blank canvas to create a beautifully proportioned duplex apartment in this prime South Kensington address.

£1,100,000 STC

Leasehold

Approx:  
1,041 sq ft/  
96.71 sq m.



### BEAUFORT STREET, SW3

A beautifully presented two bedroom lower ground floor flat situated at the northern end of this popular street. The flat has wooden floors, a natural dining area adjacent to the kitchen and also a very attractive landscaped private garden.

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A stunning two bedroom, two bathroom mews house (1217 sq ft / 113 sq m) on two levels that has been interior designed in a contemporary classic style. Discreetly located in this exclusive development, the property is accessed via a landscaped courtyard. The Knightsbridge boasts impressive reception areas, a landscaped communal garden, 24 hour concierge managed by Hyatt International, spa, gym and swimming pool. The property also includes an underground parking space, a separate storage area and also benefits from a private roof terrace.

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## **CHELSEA PARK GARDENS, SW3**

A low built family house in this popular location in the heart of Chelsea just off the Kings Road.

4/5 Bedrooms, large reception room, 85ft south facing garden and terrace. Approx 2,200 sq ft. Good order

Freehold

**PRICE ON APPLICATION**



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**PRICE ON APPLICATION**



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## **ST SAVIOURS HOUSE, KNIGHTSBRIDGE SW3**

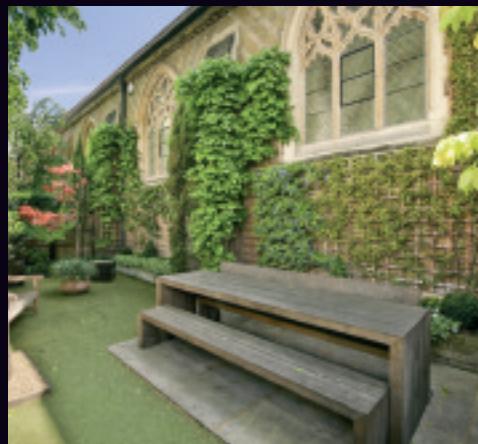
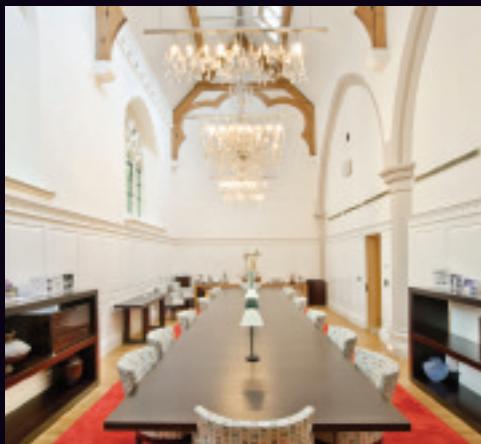
A truly unusual "space" in the very heart of Knightsbridge  
extending to @ 8,600 sq ft

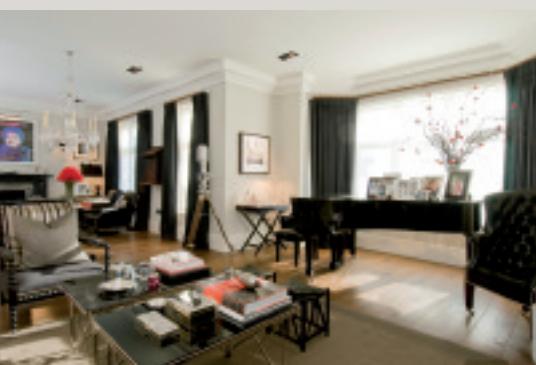
5/6 bedrooms

Swimming Pool

Freehold

**PRICE ON APPLICATION**





## BRISTOL GARDENS, PUTNEY HEATH, SW15

A superb opportunity to acquire a beautifully refurbished and recently extended freehold detached house in this quiet and exclusive location on Putney Heath.

The entire house has been beautifully modernised and redecorated and is equipped with the finest quality fittings and furnishings throughout. The accommodation is primarily over three floors and the property features a magnificent south facing garden and off street parking for 3-4 cars.

Freehold      4,742 sq ft      £5,500,000      Joint Sole Agents



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# CADOGAN LANE | BELGRAVIA SW1



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FREEHOLD

1,653 SQ FT/153 SQ M

£2,850,000 SUBJECT TO CONTRACT

# PEMBROKE MEWS | KENSINGTON W8



A three storey house situated in a private cul-de-sac within walking distance from High Street Kensington and the main entrance to Holland Park. The property has a contemporary feel and is presented in excellent decorative order.

**FIRST FLOOR DRAWING ROOM • GROUND FLOOR KITCHEN THROUGH TO DINING ROOM • FAMILY ROOM • CLOAKROOM • MASTER BEDROOM WITH EN SUITE BATHROOM • TWO FURTHER BEDROOMS • BATHROOM • SOUTH FACING TERRACE • PRIVATE MEWS PARKING**

FREEHOLD

1,893 SQ FT/176 SQ M

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# ADMIRAL SQUARE | CHELSEA HARBOUR SW10



Admiral Square is a quiet, tree lined enclave of neo-Georgian townhouses situated within Chelsea Harbour. This property is a spacious end of terrace house with an open aspect over the harbour which further benefits from a private garden, off street parking and a garage.

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# WILTON STREET | BELGRAVIA SW1



A freehold terrace house situated on the north side of this well located street between Eaton Square and Belgrave Square. This property with its south aspect benefits from an exceptional amount of light and with very flexible accommodation would suit a variety of buyers.

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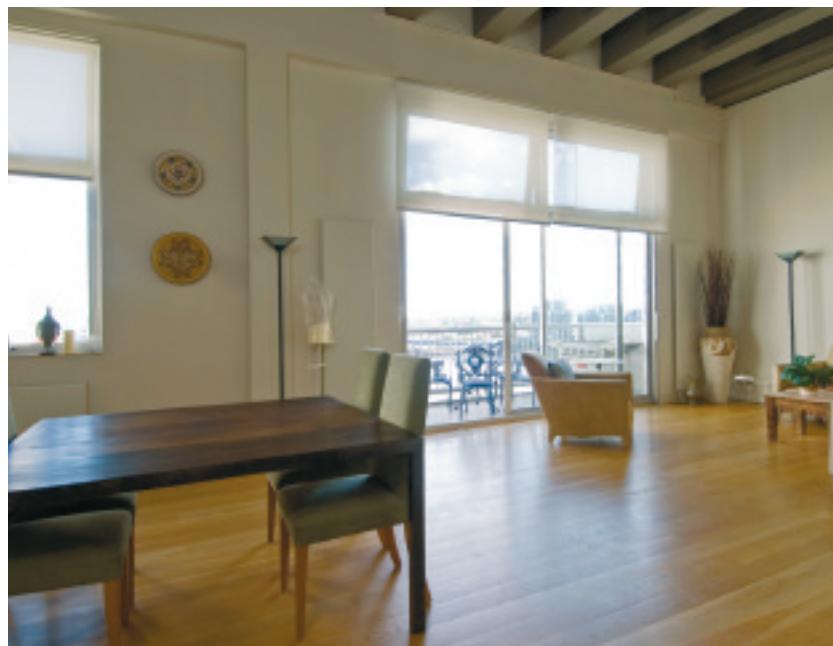
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## Beaufort Gdns, Knightsbridge SW3

A well presented spacious 2nd Floor Flat.

Reception Room, Double Bedroom, Bathroom,  
Wooden Floors, Lift.

£500 per week furnished

## Redcliffe Square, Chelsea SW10

A very spacious and elegant ground floor flat.

Reception Room, Large kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, Bathroom,  
Shower Room, Roof Terrace.

£595 per week unfurnished

## Cheval Place, Knightsbridge SW7

Newly refurbished first floor flat with a large Terrace.

Reception room, Kitchen, 2 Double Bedrooms, Bathroom,  
Shower Room, Wood floors, Terrace.

£785 per week unfurnished

## Piper Building, Fulham SW6

A stylish and contemporary flat with views over the river.

Dbl height reception room, Lrg Balcony, master bed with study  
area and dressing room, 2 Baths, dbl bedroom, porter, parking.

£650 per week furnished



## Lennox Gdns Mews, Knightsbridge SW1

A recently refurbished mew house.

Recep Room, Kitch, 2 Dbl Beds, 2 Baths, WC  
Wood flrs, private parking

£950 per week unfurnished

## Bolton Gdns, South Kensington SW5

A superb 2nd Floor Flat with views over the communal gardens.  
Reception room, dining room, kitchen, 2 Double bedrooms,  
2 bathrooms, balcony  
£950 per week unfurnished

## Church House, Ennismore Gdns, SW7

A unique house facing down a Beautiful Knightsbridge mews.  
Lrg Recep room, Kitch/breakfast room, dining/3rd bed, 2 dbl  
beds, 2 baths, 2 WC's Terrace, balcony, garage

£2750 per week Unfurnished

## Lennox Gdns, Knightsbridge, SW1

A high spec 3rd floor flat in a fabulous Garden Square.  
30ft Reception room, 2 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, kitchen,  
Terrace and Lift  
£1450 per week furnished



# A bold move

Cheryl Markosky meets the team at independent boutique agency, Henry & James as they launch their new Cale Street Office



**G**reen & Blacks did it, so did Waterstones, Wikipedia, Apple and the Hyatt Corporation to name but a few.

What do all of these successful companies have in common? They all started up or launched new successful products during a recession. Total madness, you might think. Or, sheer genius, depending on whether you're a glass half-full or glass half-empty kind of person.

After nearly 60 years in Belgravia, Henry & James, that glass half-full independent boutique agency, is taking the bold stance of opening its second branch on Cale Street in Chelsea. And yes, in the midst of a recession.

Is it the best time to launch new premises? James Bailey, Henry & James's head of sales thinks so. Opportunities come up in recessions," he says, "and good sites such as this are rare. We have put together an impressive team with over 100 years of experience between them."

Dairin Moukarzel, the company's head

of lettings, lives just off Chelsea Green and has been there for over 20 years.

"We have a presence here already as we have been doing business in Chelsea. Now, with the opening of the new office we are looking to cement our presence in the area."

There are parallels with Henry & James' Belgravia office in Motcomb Street and this new centre in Chelsea. "It is in the heart of London, but still retains a village atmosphere with great local shops and boutiques, just like Motcomb Street," points out Moukarzel. "Also, this is an address that is recognised with a great cross-section of people."

There is something hugely appealing about living and operating from a spot where the newsagent knows your name, the fishmonger remembers your favourite fish dish and everyone takes the time to say hello.

"It is very friendly, which is hugely important," Moukarzel adds. At the same time, you are really only minutes from Sloane Square and South Kensington.

"We are establishing ourselves in Chelsea

now, building on existing and new relationships so that when the recession eases we will be very much part of the area, which will be a positive step forward," explains Bailey.

Moukarzel believes it is all about having confidence in themselves as agents. "We are gutsy enough to take this step forward; we do not sit on the fence."

These days, people are searching for a friendly, personal service suggests Bailey. "People are tiring of impersonal service where you become a number and not a name. Our goal is to be an integral part of the neighbourhood, and build strong relationships with local residents."

A good place to be then just before the company's sixtieth anniversary. Recognising people are the biggest asset rather than just profit will guarantee Henry & James plays a major role in Chelsea for another 60 years to come.

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## Petersham Place, SW7

£1,250 p.w | Furnished/Unfurnished

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## Knightsbridge Court, Sloane Street, SW1

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► **Pembroke Mews, W8**  
**Price on application, freehold**

**WHAT:** A contemporary house within walking distance of Kensington High Street.

**WOW FACTOR:** The stunning large windows give the house a light and airy feel.

**EXTRAS:** A south-facing roof terrace as well as private mews parking.

**DETAILS:** Russell Simpson  
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▲ **Sprimont Place, SW3**  
**£1.85m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A Grade-II-listed house located between Sloane Avenue and Chelsea Green.

**WOW FACTOR:** Designed by Edwin Lutyens, it is full of unique features.

**EXTRAS:** A garage on a separate longlease.

**DETAILS:** Chard, 020 7373 8883

► **Upper Addison Gardens, W14**  
**£1.35m, leasehold**

**WHAT:** A sizeable apartment in a period property.

**WOW FACTOR:** This stylish property is just minutes away from Holland Park Avenue.

**EXTRAS:** Arranged over the two top floors of the building, this apartment boasts a south-facing roof garden.

**DETAILS:** Bective Leslie Marsh  
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# stop press

► **Lyall Street, SW1**  
**£10.25m, freehold**

**WHAT:** An elegant newly-built Belgravia home.

**WOW FACTOR:** The patio roof terrace is a perfect finishing touch to this carefully-designed contemporary house.

**EXTRAS:** Off-street parking.

**DETAILS:** Aylesford, 020 7351 2383

▲ **Montagu Mews South, W1**  
**£2.25m, freehold**

**WHAT:** A well-proportioned three-bedroom house in a quiet and attractive mews.

**WOW FACTOR:** The high ceilings of the impressive reception room.

**EXTRAS:** A balcony and adjoining garage.

**DETAILS:** Brian Lack and Company  
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**The British  
have spent  
the last year  
and a half  
sitting tight,  
and are now  
starting to  
move on**

# Agent speaks:

William Hughes-Ward, senior sales manager at Marsh & Parsons, Chelsea

**O**n a very rainy Wednesday morning last week a charming and very confident man walked into my office. "I'm looking for a bargain!" he announced with a wry smile on his face. Not an uncommon requirement from our central London buyers. After a brief introduction and a cup of coffee, it transpired that this gentleman had literally just landed from Hong Kong with the sole intention of buying a property in three days. Why? Because "it's London", he said, and now is the perfect opportunity to acquire a property in the "best city in the world"! (I have to agree with him on this point). However, the buyer had been looking at the press reports coming out of the UK and was under the impression that property prices in London were still in complete freefall and he'd get that bargain he was after.

The prospective buyer, was in fact, the head of an equities desk at a well known, and recently announced, profitable bank. So it didn't take me long to explain the characteristics of a market where supply is on the borders of being perfectly inelastic! His wry smile was slowly turning into a sardonic smirk – he was having trouble believing what I was telling him. I explained about the countless numbers of buyers enquiring, not just from Hong Kong, but from Singapore, India, Australia, Greece, France, Italy; let me say Italy again as I really can't quite believe how many Italians have been buying property here (we had four Italians involved in a sealed bid just last week). And let's not forget the British, who have spent the last year and a half sitting tight, and are now starting to move on. The buyer's face was turning to one of surprise!

It is important to remember that there are many micro-markets that form the overall UK property market and Kensington and Chelsea in particular is not in freefall at all. In fact, the extreme shortage of property is generating some great prices. Of course we are still in the grips of a global recession and we have a long way to go before prices are back to where they were, but don't be surprised that the prime central London markets are leading the way, and sooner than you might expect!

As for our international property investor? He is buying a fantastic little bolthole just off Walton Street and we are about to rent it to a corporate tenant. He left with a satisfied smile after all...

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- Cloakroom
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- Just under 2700 sq feet of space

£2,750.00 per week.  
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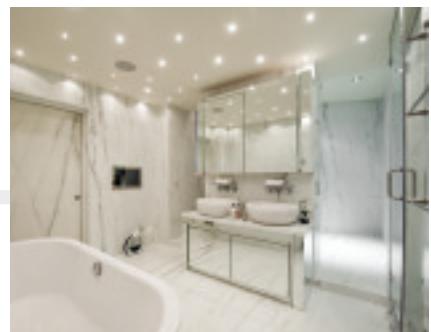
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## Eaton Mansions SW1W

A stunningly well designed three bedroom split level apartment in a most desirable location, having recently undergone a truly lavish full refurbishment using the talents and skills of an interior design team who have specified the best finishes and latest decor styles. This ground and lower ground floor apartment offers a sumptuous drawing room, magnificent dining room, generous reception rooms and three en-suite bedrooms. The truly breathtaking kitchen-breakfast room is fully equipped with the best appliances. There is a Lutron lighting system throughout. Eaton Mansions are situated in Cliveden Place, just off Sloane Square.



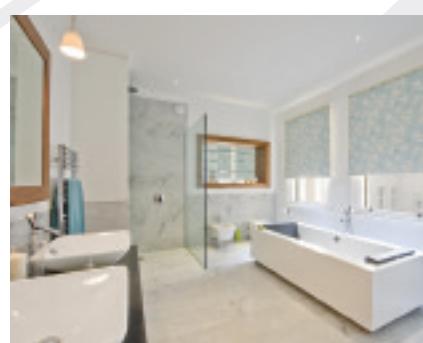
Asking Price: £3,000,000 Leasehold

In total 2519 sq ft / 234 sq m



## Half Moon Street W1

A spacious and elegantly finished Mayfair town house close to Green Park. This white stucco fronted house was built in the late eighteenth century, with later additions and has been recently refurbished to very high standards, seamlessly blending contemporary styling with the traditional structure. Features include a generous cook's kitchen, five reception rooms, a master suite with dressing room and luxurious en-suite bathroom and five further bedrooms. There is also staff accommodation with kitchen, a gym, two roof terraces and, for ease, a lift to link all seven floors.



Asking Price £8,250,000 Freehold

In total 4930 sq ft / 458 sq m

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London SW8



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## Green Street W1

### Loft apartment with lift

The Beatles once lived here (for a brief time) and we can see why. This lofty top floor apartment (with lift) is situated within this beautifully maintained block. 2 DOUBLE BEDROOMS, 2 BATH/ SHOWER ROOMS, SEPARATE KITCHEN, BRIGHT LONG RECEPTION ROOM, ENTRANCE HALL, UTILITY ROOM.

**Long leasehold**

**£1,425,000**



## Old Manor Yard, SW5

### Gate Mews House with Garage

MASTER BEDROOM WITH ENSUITE BATHROOM; SECOND BEDROOM; BATHROOM RECEPTION ROOM (WITH SMALL DINING AREA); OPEN PLAN KITCHEN; CLOAKROOM; INTEGRAL GARAGE; PRIVATE GATED MEWS

**Freehold**

**£845,000**



## Queensgate, SW7

### Scope for Improvement

Situated at the quieter end of Queensgate and very close to Hyde Park this property has great volume and would benefit from minor refurbishment to create an en suite bathroom for the master bedroom. 2 DOUBLE BEDROOMS, 2 RECEPTION ROOMS, SEPARATE KITCHEN, BATHROOM, ENTRANCE HALL.

**Long Lease over 80 years Unexpired**

**£1,200,000**



## Egerton Gardens, SW3

### Enjoying Direct Garden Access

Spacious property on the raised ground floor extending to some 1099 sq. ft. 2 DOUBLE BEDROOMS, GRAND RECEPTION ROOM, MASTER BEDROOM, FURTHER DOUBLE BEDROOM, BATHROOM, KITCHEN, GRAND ENTRANCE HALL, STORAGE ROOM

**Short Lease 6.5 years remaining**

**£450,000**



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## A stunning Mayfair maisonette **Upper Grosvenor Street W1 £6,950,000**

An exquisite triplex apartment situated within a stunning stone fronted building located in a prime position between Park Lane and Grosvenor Square. This superb property has been finished to an excellent standard throughout and provides a bright and spacious reception room dedicated to the entire first floor, a separate dining room ideal for entertaining, study, three en suite bedrooms and three further cloak rooms. In addition the property further benefits from a patio garden and a terrace off the study. Upper Grosvenor Street is perfectly situated for the open spaces of Hyde Park and the extensive shops, bars and restaurants of Oxford Street only a short walk away. Share of Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A magnificent, stucco fronted Victorian house in the heart of Notting Hill **Hereford Road W2** Price on Application

This imposing house is set back from the road forming part of an elegant terrace within the conservation area. Completely refurbished and arranged over five floors, provides superb entertaining space with a large interconnecting dining room and eat-in kitchen providing lovely views over the landscaped garden. The informal reception room on the lower floor also provides direct access to the garden. Formal entertaining space is provided on the first floor where a large double reception room benefits from floor to ceiling windows and a balcony. The bedroom accommodation includes a master suite with a dressing room and bathroom, three double bedrooms and two further bathrooms. Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A classic Kensington property on a prime residential street **De Vere Gardens W8 £2,100,000**

A wonderful, west facing split level apartment situated on a prime residential street perfectly positioned for the amenities on Kensington High Street, Gloucester Road and the open spaces of Kensington Palace Gardens. This elegant property boasts well planned living/entertaining space and still retains many original period features throughout. The accommodation provides an entrance hall, a spacious reception room with a large bay window and feature fireplace, kitchen, master bedroom with good storage, two further bedrooms, a dressing room, four bathrooms and a large galleried area. Share of Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A lovely family house located on the popular Moore Park Estate **Holmead Road SW6 £1,595,000**

Arranged over four floors, this beautiful house is presented in good condition throughout offering well balanced living and bedroom accommodation. The ground floor comprises a bright double reception room, dining area and fully integrated kitchen with doors opening out to a pretty garden. The top three floors include a stunning master bedroom suite complete with dressing area and en suite bathroom, three further double bedrooms (one en suite), family bathroom, utility room and additional WC. Holmead Road is located on the Chelsea/Fulham border and within easy reach of the shops and restaurants of both the Fulham Road & Kings Road. Fulham Broadway is within easy walking distance. Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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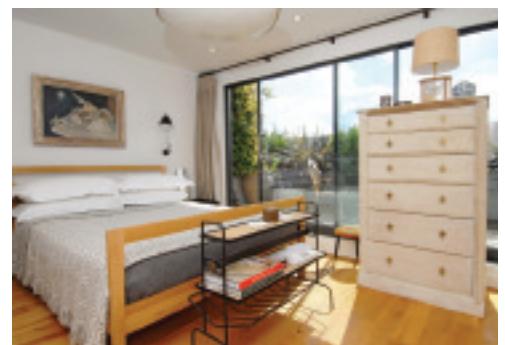
## Lovely 'Hillage Village' house with a roof terrace **Farm Place W8 £1,3750,000**

A fabulous opportunity to acquire this charming house situated in the highly sought after Hillgate Village area of Kensington. The house offers four floors of well proportioned living space featuring a beautiful double reception room and an eat-in kitchen with direct access to the south facing roof terrace. The bedroom accommodation, arranged over two floors includes a large master suite with dressing area and modern en suite bathroom and a second bedroom with a further family shower room. The corner property is located on a classic tree lined street of coloured houses just moments from the great shops, bars and restaurants of Notting Hill Gate. Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A beautifully bright apartment in a sought after location **Portland Road W11 £1,395,000**

This beautiful and recently refurbished triplex apartment is located in the heart of Clarendon Cross, close to the fantastic local amenities in Notting Hill and Holland Park. The property, boasting floor to ceiling windows with views over delightful gardens and Penzance Place, comprises a generous reception room, a large kitchen dining room and a top floor balcony offering far reaching views over West London. Upstairs the bedroom accommodation includes a superb top floor master suite, an additional double bedroom and a well fitted bathroom. Leasehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A unique freehold house in the popular Moreton Triangle **Moreton Terrace SW1 £1,095,000**

This beautifully presented, white stucco fronted period house is situated at the southern end of this highly sought after Pimlico terrace. Presented in excellent condition throughout, the house is arranged over four floors and boasts a fantastic roof terrace. The accommodation provides a ground floor reception room, an eat-in kitchen/diner, two large double bedrooms, two bathrooms and a utility room. Moreton Terrace is considered to be one of Pimlico's best addresses and is close to a selection of shops and transport links. Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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## A prime Chelsea location **Richards Place SW3 £850,000**

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£400 per week

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### Kings Road SW3

£500 per week

An extremely spacious and modern apartment located on the Kinds Road close to the bars, restaurants and transport links of Sloane Square. The bright first floor property boasts a generous double bedroom with great storage, bathroom, a large reception room with wooden floors and a modern kitchen. **Furnished.**

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### Queens Gate SW7

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### Mimosa Street SW6

£800 per week

A stunning house perfectly located for Parsons Green tube station and the selection of local amenities along the Fulham Road. The bedroom accommodation comprises five bedrooms, three bathrooms while the living space provides a double reception room ideal for entertaining, kitchen, a private patio garden and two roof terraces. **Furnished.**

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## North Audley Street W1

£900 per week

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## Portland Road W11

£1,650 per week

A superb family house situated in the heart of Holland Park close to the shops, bars and restaurants of Clarendon Cross. The recently refurbished property comprises a master bedroom, three further bedrooms, three bathrooms, study, a double reception room, dining room, a large modern kitchen and a large west facing garden. **Furnished.**

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## Norland Square W11

£1,650 per week

This stunning, architect designed maisonette has been finished with the utmost attention to detail. The property comprises three bedrooms, two bathrooms, spacious reception room, eat-in kitchen, separate dining room, patio garden and a glass terrace. This exquisite property also boasts access to Norland Square private communal gardens and tennis court. **Un/Furnished.**

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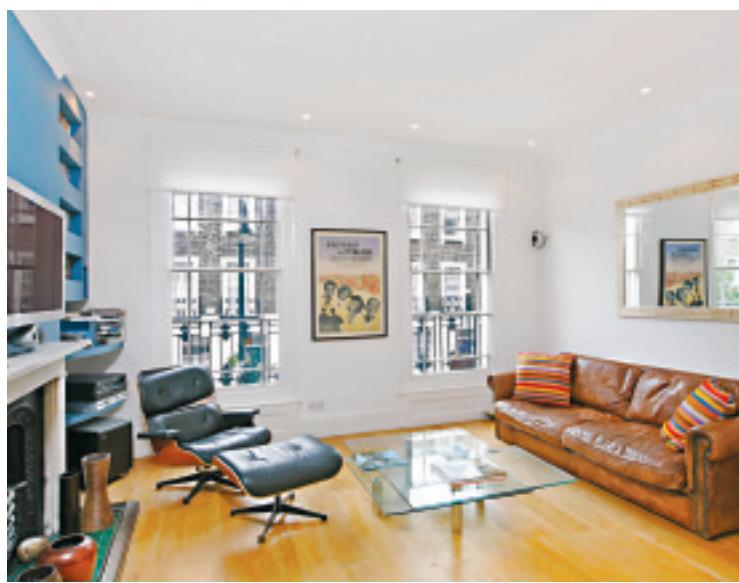


### £895,000 Share of Freehold Evelyn Gardens, SW7

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